

**Ivybridge
Youth for Christ

Annual Report
September 2020
- August 2021**



Chair's Report for Ivybridge Youth For Christ

This was another challenging year due to the Pandemic and the ensuing government regulations. Detached working outside in all weathers meant we could link with limited young people, but contact was improved once we could use the Youth Venue more fully. Schools and clubs work had to be adapted to online and also delivering of craft packs for appropriate teaching themes. We thank the headteachers for their willingness to be flexible and work with us for the spiritual benefit of their pupils.

Kate Duckering
Chair

Director's Report for Ivybridge Youth for Christ

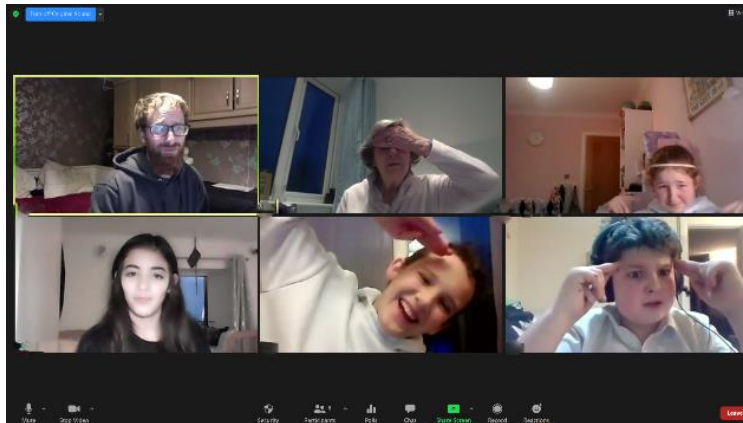
With the Covid 19 pandemic still in full swing, it's been another VERY unusual year for Ivybridge Youth for Christ! As you will see from this report we have had to continue to adapt and alter how we work and seem to have spent a lot of time updating Covid 19 risk assessments! However, it's been a pleasure to continue to work with the young people of Ivybridge and the surrounding area. We trust that the work that has taken place over this historic time has been of great benefit to them in *reducing loneliness, isolation, worry, and boredom, as well as encouraging them on their journey on or towards faith!*

Ivybridge Community College C.U.'s (ICC)

Rock Solid Online (Year 7-9's) and Orbit Online (Year 10+)

The ongoing pandemic meant that during the whole academic year there was no access to ICC for visitors. Rock Solid has therefore been a bit different!

To give young people the opportunity to engage, Rock Solid Online started as a separate club to the school during the Autumn Term. The group consisted of 2 of the lads from the Spring Term of 2019-20 at Rock Solid, as well as 4 young people who came via connections in Modbury. Following lots of *teaching about the faith, many games and laughter*, the term ended with us delivering Christmas cards and prizes that had been earned. The sessions continued through Lockdown 3 in Spring 2021 with topics such as Thankfulness, Music, Opinions, Who is Jesus? Suffering, Self-care, Anger and Easter.



Rock Solid Online Game

At Easter, it was a joy to hand-deliver prizes and chocolate on Good Friday. Each package contained a holding cross with appropriate Scriptures. These were a gift from one of our volunteers.

During the Summer Term, we continued to meet on Zoom and covered topics such as Moses parting the Red Sea, God is King, Materialism, Bullying, Drawing near to God, and Give and Take (Looking Outwards). Towards the end of the year, numbers dropped off (which is usual even without the pandemic) due to the good weather. This has been especially acute as Zoom calls during hot weather are not the most appealing and they also had the opportunity to engage with after-school sports for the first time since the Pandemic started.

There was a steady committed membership of 5 and we were *grateful for the support of our volunteers*; Jane, who also regularly helps at Shine, and Phil the Ivybridge Methodist Church youth worker.

We look now to academic year 2021-22 and are hopeful that we might be able to return to the ICC to run the clubs in person.

Orbit (for older school members) has not met this academic year. This is due to them all being connected with their local churches and visitors not being allowed into school. However, I remained mindful of the members and in the Spring, I promoted Scattered, a partnership between British Youth for Christ and Festive which was an online faith-sharing event for that age group. We will keep these young people in mind, should the opportunity arise to return to going into ICC.

Connecting Christian youth who live in local villages

The Christian youth groups in areas such as Modbury and South Brent are small and could benefit from coming together occasionally for mutual support and fun. With relationships building with vicars in the area, we have started looking for ways to connect the youth together. Plans are at an early stage, but it could be possible that something is in place in time for this Autumn which is really exciting.

The Bridge Project

South Brent (Thursday evenings 7-8.30pm)

It's also been a year of constant adaptation for The Bridge Project in South Brent. We were able to continue outside the bus at South Brent Rec until October half-term and were thrilled to be seeing many of our regulars. Once the 2nd Lockdown hit, we were *determined to continue to keep reaching young people*. Following National Youth Agency guidelines, we undertook detached work around the village. This proved valuable in building relationships and supporting young people; we engaged with around 11 of them.



In Lockdown 3, from January onwards, we continued detached work, weather permitting, and saw fewer numbers some weeks and up to 20 on others. We promoted 1-1 help, support bubbles and Rock Solid online. We have also had some good conversations with local adults and parents about what we do.

Detached work in South Brent

It was great that restrictions eased as the year wore on and we were able to return to meeting outside the bus at The Rec. The weather gradually improved, and attendance rose. We welcomed a few newcomers, a few we hadn't seen in a long time, and a group of about 30 who have been coming on and off for the last two and a half years.

The work is never easy and, sadly, we had incidents of disrespectful behaviour shown towards us, our property and towards other youth by a minority of young people. On one occasion, we had to leave the location

early. We had a group conversation with the regulars to clear the air and to explain our position on showing respect. *We hope and trust that the regular example from the staff and volunteers, challenges their behaviour and shows them another way to act.*

The year in South Brent has been particularly challenging from a volunteer point of view. We are extremely grateful to Margaret, who has been out regularly throughout this year. We were also joined on occasion by Harry, a young South West Youth Ministries (SWYM) intern. Many of our other volunteers needed to shield. *42 weeks of outreach have taken place which is remarkable* considering the year everyone has been through.

The Bridge Project South Brent took a much-needed break for the months of July and August. We look forward to re-engaging in September, hopefully with the bus able to be used to its max with young people able to come back onboard. This will open up the chance for more engagement and the opportunity to chat over a board game or two.

Throughout the year, we have maintained conversations with church leaders and members of St. Petroc's, South Brent to look at the future strategy and vision for youth and children's ministry in the area.

We continue to maintain the bus so that it is safe to use. This includes an annual MOT as well as regular servicing. We are grateful to Tally Ho! Coaches at Kingsbridge who do this for us.

The Bridge Project Ivybridge (Friday evenings)

The Bridge Project in Ivybridge has changed dramatically this year and not just because of the pandemic! We started as usual with the bus at the skatepark. We continued to be visited by around 15-20 young people per week in Ivybridge which was fantastic.



The Youth Venue in Ivybridge

In the Autumn, *the Youth Venue opened*, and The Bridge Project moved in. This is a building we are using in partnership with Ivybridge Salvation Army. They are managing it and running it as a community drop-in facility/café during the day. The signage on the building includes our name and logo and is giving us a much higher profile in the town.



It was exciting to move into the youth venue. There is table tennis, table football, Xbox and games as well as the usual drinks and biscuits. It lasted 4 weeks before the 2nd Lockdown!

During the 2nd Lockdown we were able to adapt to detached youth work which the regulations allowed. This proved valuable in ensuring that *vulnerable youth were being offered support* should they have needed it and for promoting the recent move to the venue.

In the leadup to Christmas, after the 2nd Lockdown, we were able to meet on 3 more occasions inside The Bridge venue, but with the virus case numbers rising, we decided to finish a week early to prevent a situation of volunteers having to self-isolate over the Christmas period.

During the third national Lockdown (which started in January 2021), we returned to detached youth work and engaged with anything from low numbers to up to an average of 22 young people as the weather improved and the Government's roadmap announcement was made. We encouraged young people to stay socially distanced from each other and highlighted that we are available to help them on a 1-1 level or in support groups should they be struggling. It was evident that undertaking this detached work had clear *public benefit by encouraging young people to act in a responsible manner*.

Regulations were constantly changing, and it meant a short return to the skatepark with the bus from 29th March, offering drinks outside the bus at this point. 2 weeks later, the venue reopened and has remained open ever since. Our average attendance has been 21 young people per night with a

mixture of older regulars, younger newcomers and young people even attending from South Brent. We've had 37 different girls and 53 different boys in attendance.

We received a useful box of equipment from Space (a Devon wide youth charity) to help with keeping The Bridge venue Covid-19 safe.

Covid 19 regulations had one twist that caused problems for lots of youth groups across the country. For a long time, we were not allowed to mix those who were 18+ with under 18's even if the 18+'s were still at school in Year 13. Thankfully this rule eased mid-July, and this made managing the venue much easier. While it was a rule, we had set up a table outside for the older ones, so that *all felt welcome*. At this point, we were supporting a young woman who was about to give birth. One supporter kindly gave her a bag of goodies to welcome the baby into the world.

Some of our regular Year 11's asked questions about our faith and so we offered an Alpha course in partnership with the Methodist Church. They didn't take up the offer, but I still have regular chats with them and hope to provide more social and faith exploring opportunities in the future.

Another idea that we tried was to open the venue up to watch the Euro 2020 (actually 2021) football tournament with young people. Despite saying that they were keen to come, they didn't! As we adapt to using the venue, we will gradually learn what sort of activities the young people are keen to pursue.

As the academic year ended, our average attendance was increasing with up to 23 young people per night. The work of building and maintaining relationships is going well and gradually we are seeing more of our volunteers return to serve in this ministry. There is always a need for more volunteers and recruitment has been happening over the summer. We are grateful to the team who have enabled this work to continue throughout the year in its various forms.

18+ group from The Bridge Project

From autumn until early summer, Helen and I continued to meet with up to 3 young people from this age group. We were even able to celebrate one of their birthdays at the Youth Venue. We were able to continue this work, face-to-face during both Lockdowns, if we deemed that they were vulnerable. The Government left this decision to professional judgement

and asked youth workers not to abuse it. Some meetings were face-to-face in cafes, and some were online.



Another strange twist of the pandemic is that we got to know what their ceilings looked like, as they didn't always like to have their cameras pointed at their faces. This is quite typical for young people.

18+ Online Youth Work

Following a parent referral, I also spent some time supporting a young man in need and this was done via walks – again allowed within the Covid guidelines.

I believe that the contact with all of those in the 18+ category has been important to help *reduce their sense of isolation and loneliness*. A Cinnamon Trust 'Caring for Young People's Mental Health' webinar was very helpful in looking at ways of developing this work.

Primary school assemblies

Contact with primary schools remains important. Often at The Bridge Project young people will *recall assemblies from their younger days* led by Ivybridge Youth for Christ. I was pleased therefore, to lead collective worship via Zoom for Cornwood Primary in June. I used flags of countries in Euro 2020 that had crosses on them to share the gospel.

Shine Newton Ferrers

We were very excited at the start of the new academic year (following school closures the previous year) to be able to restart Shine at Newton Ferrers Primary School, not just once a week, but twice – to cover the newly formed 'bubbles' of year groups. Years 5 & 6 on Wednesday after-school and Years 3 & 4 on Friday after-school.

However, the main proviso was that clubs had to take place outside under a cover due to Covid restrictions!! *It was damp and cold and sometimes the colourings blew away!* But it was great to be able to continue to meet and introduce the children to the good news of Jesus.

Both groups were provided with a book 'Diary of a Disciple' which contains Bible stories and puzzles. This is being used as the basis for the year.

The Year 5/6 club was unusual in that it was dominated by boys including some who had not been for a while prior to Lockdown. Behaviour was, at times, challenging, but we *hope and trust that what we do and say will have a lasting impact on their lives*. The Year 3 and 4 club had a few new faces and all members were very keen! We also had a new team of volunteers, as our usual team were not available due to Covid 19. We are grateful to those who stepped in at this time.

The outdoor clubs ran until October half-term when, with cases rising and Lockdown 2 looming, the school cancelled their after-school clubs. They weren't able to restart until late April.

Through the whole pandemic Ivybridge Youth for Christ has endeavoured to maintain contact with the children and youth as much as possible, and in creative ways. So, at Christmas, Helen and Harry (volunteer) delivered packs for the children, with a Bible Society book, (kindly donated by a supporter), card, chocolate and some crafts. It was a special time as we were allowed to have a *surprise short visit in the hall* to chat with the children and give out the packs. Helen later saw one of the mums in public and she told her how surprised she had been when her son got home from school and immediately sat at the table doing something. When she investigated, he was completing the crafts from the pack!



February half-term packs

Packs were delivered before February half-term containing animal sweets and an animal craft. There was a challenge to look for the good things God has created. Prior to Easter, packs containing a chocolate egg, a Christian Easter book from the Bible Society (donated by a kind supporter) and a craft were delivered. Children were back in school following Lockdown 3 by this point, and Helen was once again allowed into the hall to deliver them.

Permission to restart clubs was granted at the end of April. All the original volunteers were happy to return to face-to-face clubs and the new vicar, Rev Kim Lovell, was also keen to help. It was great that the clubs could now be indoors and, as time went on, we didn't have to wear face coverings, and it felt like a *piece of normality returned* (except for the constant hand-gel)



Craft at Shine Newton Ferrers



Game at Shine Newton Ferrers

It's great when there are encouraging moments, and a few popped up at this time: One of the lads told us he has a door at home with all of his crafts from Shine on it. This was surprising! A TA told us that her children, now teenagers, still look back with very happy memories of their time at Shine in Holbeton. Also, when recapping the stories that members had looked at throughout this academic year, the children had good recollection.

Year 6 members asked if all the bubble could come to their leavers' party. Given that the year had been so disrupted by Lockdowns this was a *heartwarming moment*. They played games including the customary game of Pie Face, which had to be adapted once again to be Covid-secure. They had a plate each with cream on, and the leaders pried them rather than the machine doing the job!



Shine Leavers' Party – before they were 'pied'!

Shine Holbeton

It was a joy that Shine Holbeton (KS2) also restarted in the Autumn following many months off due to the pandemic. Helen was amazed to have all the regulars back, as well as some new members. This totalled 10 children (from a school of around 40) which was very encouraging. Again, there was encouragement as some of the children *talked with excitement about the crafts that had been delivered* during the first Lockdown and how they were on their fridge.

In contrast to Newton Ferrers, Holbeton allowed the group to continue throughout the second Lockdown, when schools remained open. We worked in well-ventilated rooms and, after half-term, we wore face coverings.

The same resource covering the life of Jesus through Luke's eyes was used: Diary of a Disciple. It's colouring pages and puzzles were greatly enjoyed by the children.



Holbeton Shine Christmas Craft

With schools closed in Lockdown 3 to all but key worker children, sadly Shine Holbeton had to take a break. Thankfully, we were able to deliver packs for the children to enjoy during half-term. These were of the same nature as the ones for Newton Ferrers.

As Lockdown eased, Helen was able to restart Shine Holbeton just prior to Easter. The Easter special was fantastic, and the books and eggs were distributed, and the crafts done whilst in the club. There were 2 new members, both new to the school, which appears to be growing quickly.

The final term ran smoothly and there were wonderful times of craft, games and bible stories. At our last one of the year, we recapped a lot of the stories and the *children remembered many of the details which shows that the teaching had sunk in.*

JAM

It was fantastic that JAM youth discipleship group for years 6+ was able to restart in September on Sunday evenings in the church, and in person too. This was the case for just 3 sessions! We had some new volunteers and a Covid-19 risk assessment in place.

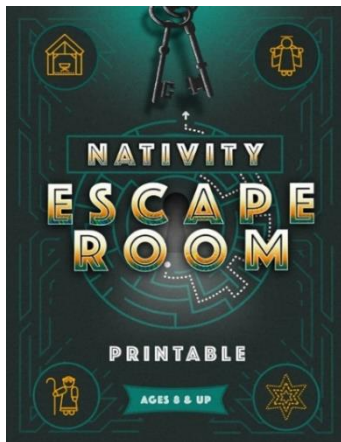


Activities based on the Bible

The 3rd session was really encouraging. Helen had prepared a craft that incorporated a Bible verse and an idea that followed a challenging sermon she had heard. The young people loved it. However, she was informed just before the group started, that a young lad was coming who hadn't been regularly. The craft was based on hearts. Helen felt, knowing the lad, that he wouldn't want to do it. She felt inspired to ask her volunteer for that night, Rev Joe Lannon, to work with him to develop a beat that they could speak (not sing!!!) the Bible verse to. Joe brought along his guitar and the young person beat upon a cajon (box drum). He really enjoyed the session and the other youth listened to the beat with the words from the Bible

verse. One said: *“It gets into you”*, which was the whole purpose of creatively working on the Bible.

JAM moved online immediately with Lockdown 2, and this continued until the Christmas special. Online, we did various topics related to ‘giving’ and in one session the young people were challenged to rewrite the Christmas story in 20 words. An example: *“Mary told she was pregnant, went to Bethlehem. wise men saw star, followed, said hi and gave him memorable presents”*.

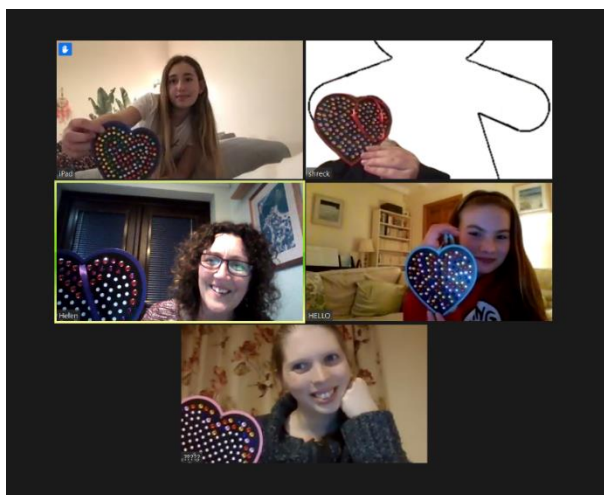


The final session of JAM prior to Christmas was in person. We were joined by Rev Kim Lovell, who started in her position as vicar in November. The session was based on an Escape Room resource and included a Christmas bauble craft.

Helen was pleased to continue meeting one member to go through ‘swap journals’, a form of mentoring. They met in cafes for safeguarding purposes. At Christmas, after a drink and a catch-up, they walked around Ivybridge to find angels that had been hidden by the Methodist Church. It was a good time to meet as the young person was anxious about a trip to hospital in Bristol that week.

After Christmas came Lockdown 3 and the inevitable return to online JAM with our regular Zoom participants. We looked at Jesus’ miracles through various interactive activities such as Aha Slides and we were joined by Helen’s bridesmaid for the Wedding in Cana week. She shared testimony of God’s provision in her life.

The country stayed locked down for quite a while so, to maintain contact prior to half-term, Helen delivered craft packs, sweets and a stress ball to each member of JAM, including to those who don’t meet online. This enabled her to catch up with a few parents, as well as to briefly see some of the young people in person.



Valentine's Day JAM on Zoom saw the group make the heart craft that had been delivered.

The pack also included a cake kit for the 3 online members. We baked 'Minions' buns at a half-term session on Zoom that was based around having fun and 'life in all its fulness (John 10:10). There was a real *God-incidence* when one member wore a Christian hoodie that she hadn't worn for ages – with John 10:10, (the same verse that we were looking at) on it.

Thankfully after the long gap JAM restarted in person after Easter. The young people were pleased to be back in person and were able to *ask much deeper questions* than when they were online.



We were so excited to finally run a trip in June. We went Tubing at Plymouth Ski Centre. The girls who came really enjoyed it, as did the leaders! This was the first time we had seen young people with *really excited, happy, laughing faces* in a long time.

Tubing Trip for JAM

The final session was a welcome party for current Year 5&6s. Two young people from Shine Newton Ferrers came.

Ivybridge Churches Working Together

This year saw great unity through the Ivybridge Leaders' Prayer Meeting. This met both online and in person at The Bridge. It is a highly encouraging meeting with leaders from Ivybridge Methodist Church, Ivybridge Salvation Army Church, Ivybridge Baptist Church and the new vicar from St John's Anglican Church. It is a *source of support for us all*, as well as a forum for making united plans for events which arise from these meetings:



Drive in Carol Service: The Ivybridge church and ministry leaders organised a drive-in carol service at Tesco Lee Mill in December. It was a great success with 150 cars in attendance and coverage on BBC Spotlight.

I provided the Ivybridge Youth for Christ bus as a base for the first aid crew and organized 4 young people to do the Bible readings.

Ivybridge Nativity Trail: Again, with the churches, we worked hard to order items for 400 packs for the nativity trail. It included a Hope magazine, a Bible Society Children's Christmas book, a wooden decoration to colour, along with some pens. Take-up for the trail was low as the weather that week was terribly wet. However, *some hardy families were spotted giving it a go* and received their packs. It is hoped the remaining packs can be used another year.

Services on Zoom: Town-wide unity services were held monthly on Zoom from Spring onwards and I was privileged to lead one of these, bringing the sermon and highlighting the work of Ivybridge Youth for Christ for those who might not be aware of the charity. In June, I led half of the service as we prayed specifically for Ivybridge Community College.

As the year ended, we said goodbye to Mark and Carolyn Lawrence from Ivybridge Methodist Church, who are moving onto pastures new. We are grateful for Mark's support through his membership of the Council of Reference. We look forward to working with his replacement, Rev. Amanda Roper, when she starts in September.

Fundraising

Fundraising events remained a challenge during Lockdowns as restrictions curtailed in-person events and, after a while, Zoom-fatigue hit. We postponed our Autumn Bake Sale and Garden Equipment Sale to a more suitable time. In December, we held another online quiz (raising £185 plus gift aid). We are grateful to our volunteer, Matt Hill for hosting this. By Spring, another quiz didn't gain enough interest and so other ideas were needed.



A Temple Spa Pampering Evening was that new idea, brought to us in Spring by Natalie, our new Trustee. This reached different people from around the country as it took place on Zoom. It was a relaxing evening as we used, under Natalie's instruction, pampering products that she has sent out prior to the event. It raised £278 plus gift aid.

In the summer, we launched a Coffee, Chat & Cake Campaign, but it didn't bear any fruit with people still anxious about socialising.

Alongside events, I spent time applying for grants from the UK Youth Covid Fund and the DCMS Covid Fund Support. Both were unsuccessful. I continue to look at funding ideas and this is helped by National Youth for Christ's Partnership Development meetings which give ideas on how best to approach the area of fundraising.

We have been very grateful to a supporter, Andrew Ferguson, who has *worked tirelessly* to gain support from churches and funds towards The Bridge Project in South Brent.

We have also been *buoyed by the donations of our faithful supporters* and so end the year in a confident place financially.

Prayer

It has been a pleasure to continue our IYFC Zoom prayer meetings every Wednesday morning with a few new faces joining in this year.

Another great source of encouragement and support arose following the Churches Together in Plymouth (CTiP) Transormation Conference in November. After leading a short seminar for youth leaders at the

conference, I instigated a youth leader prayer and ideas exchange meeting every Friday morning over Zoom. We have seen some *great answers to prayer as well as great ideas for how to reach young people*. Up to 8 local Ivybridge and Plymouth youth workers attend.

National Youth for Christ held their Day of Prayer at the end of April to launch the 'Pray through May' campaign. Several staff and Trustees were able to 'attend' and it was good to join the wider Youth for Christ family in prayer.

Trustees

Longstanding Trustee Min decided to step back to pursue other ministry callings in September. We are *thrilled that Min remains on the team* for The Bridge Project. We are grateful for all the contributions she made as Trustee.



Helen and I organised the Trustee Christmas Social over Zoom in December. We subjected the Trustees to games that we often play online with young people like 'bring me'. *We 'think' they enjoyed it!* This was a great opportunity to introduce Natalie Dugdall to the team. Natalie officially started as a Trustee in January.

Helen, Kate and I attended the second part of Youth for Christ Conference which was held for a whole day over Zoom. There they revealed their new strategy in which they hope to engage more with local churches and also focus on several large cities.

A short AGM was held online; there was a reasonable attendance considering Zoom fatigue was well and truly hitting society by this stage! The trustees also held their annual away day online due to restrictions.

We are very grateful to Sophie Hill who supports the trustees, *working hard to keep on top of the finances*.

Pastoral Support for Staff

Helen continues to meet monthly with Sara Bromage for pastoral support. Helen is immensely grateful for this. Sara *understands the ebbs and flows of Christian ministry* and is able to give Helen ideas of how to look after herself with all the constant changes and demands that have happened throughout the pandemic and continue to happen. Elis continues to meet monthly with Rev.Dave Martin which he is also grateful for.

Networking

Churches Together in Plymouth (CTiP): I have served on the Enabling Group for CTIP for a number of years (since I led The Net, a youth worship event in Plymouth). However, in view of the launch of Plymouth Youth for Christ, which is scheduled for September, I have decided it is time to hand on the baton and have stood down from this role.

Youth for Christ – South West Cluster: I continue to meet our Youth for Christ South West Cluster monthly (online), and also met online with others from around the British Youth for Christ network to discuss the latest lockdown transition towards greater detached ministry.

Pennywell Farm Breakfast Meetings: these meetings resumed on Thursday mornings in the Summer Term. They give local Christians a chance to share fellowship, sing, and listen to a message. Occasionally, I am invited to preach and speak about the work of IYFC. Many who go there have been tremendously supportive in terms of prayer for me personally, and some also give practical support to the work of IYFC.

Plymouth Children's Ministry Network: I attended this meeting on occasion. This year I was able to support a worker from Hope Baptist Church, Plymouth with ideas. They had suddenly been given an additional youth worker role.

Website and Social Media

The website can now be found on Google, and we ended the year with over 200 Facebook followers. Many of these are non-Christians, or people that we do not actually know.

Training

One of the advantages of the Lockdowns has been that a lot of training (that we would not otherwise have been able to attend due to location or

time), has moved online. During the course of the year, both Helen and I have benefited from these various opportunities.

I have taken part in training sessions provided by National Youth for Christ – such as ‘*Supporting Children and Young People with Emotional Trauma*’ and ‘*Sports Evangelism*’.

‘*Power the Fight*’ is an organisation that specialises in understanding youth violence. I was privileged to be able to take part in 4 sessions led by them which gave valuable insight into current youth culture and violence. The sessions included Gang Exit Strategies and working with local authorities.

We were pleased to host a visit from British Youth for Christ’s Head of Schools Ministry, Bev Smith. As a consequence, I attended a 4-day *Chaplaincy course* online in October. The skills learned could be useful for ministry at the Youth Venue in the short-term and potentially for schools work in the long-term.

SWYM Catalyst mentoring training was attended by Helen. Although the scheme looked interesting, sadly it didn’t really fit with where JAM was currently positioned. Having done the training, Helen is allowed to run the scheme at some point in the future, when the time is right.

Renew Normal Youthscape Conference: Helen attended 2 seminars at this conference, ‘Where did they go?’ looking at the low engagement with online youth ministry, and ‘Innovating in Your Post-Pandemic Youth Ministry’, looking at how we address this.

SWYM Reflect and Re-envision: Helen again had opportunity to be inspired at this local online conference. She went to several seminars, most notably, how to work with small numbers of youth which was useful.

Volunteers

Throughout the year we were joined by Harry Palmer-Brown, a local SWYM trainee with Ivybridge Methodist Church, who gained additional youth and children’s work experience for his SWYM training by being a volunteer with us. Harry has served at The Bridge Project, JAM, and all 3 Shines during the year. We hope he learned a lot, and we are grateful for the input he had. It was *very timely help*, especially in the Autumn, when many of the regular Shine volunteers were shielding and unable to help. We wish Harry all the best as he moves onto a second year at a new placement – Oriel Ministries in Cornwall.

Volunteers thank-you cream teas/Christmas parties were simply not possible this year and so we needed a creative way to thank the fantastic team of loyal and hard-working volunteers. Stones were decorated with a painting of Jesus in the manger and were delivered, along with a thank-you note.

Conclusion:

I would like to thank all our Trustees, volunteers and supporters who have prayed, worked, and stood firm with us during this most challenging of years.

We've enjoyed (sometimes endured) the delights of Zoom and other online communication. We've said countless times, "You're on mute!" to one another and had many an online meeting while still in our pyjama trousers.

However, I'm proud of what we've achieved and how we remained there for each other and for so many of the young people that we serve.

We are so grateful to our financial supporters who have prioritised our mission and have given so sacrificially, sometimes even increasing their giving throughout these uncertain times of the pandemic.

We give glory to God and look forward to all that He may do in us, and through us, in the coming year.

Elis Norton
Director

Ivybridge Youth for Christ

Statement of Financial Activities (Including Income and Expenditure Account)

For the Year Ended 31 August 2021

	Unrestricted	Restricted	Year Ended 31 Aug 21	Year Ended 31 Aug 20
	£	£	£	£
<u>Income and endowments from:</u>				
Donations and Legacies	52,960	5,292	58,252	44,985
Charitable Activities	787	787	2,867	
Investments	9	9	32	
Total Income	53,756	5,292	59,048	47,884
<u>Expenditure On</u>				
Charitable activities	36,427	7,557	43,984	45,277
Total Expenditure	36,427	7,557	43,984	45,277
Net Income/ (expenditure)	17329	(2,265)	15,064	2,607
Transfer between funds	(6,674)	6,674	-	-
Net movement in funds	<u>10,655</u>	<u>4,409</u>	<u>15,064</u>	<u>2,607</u>
Reconciliation of funds:				
Total funds brought forward	13,303	13,706	27,009	24,402
Total funds carried forward	23,958	18,115	42,073	27,009
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IVYBRIDGE YOUTH FOR CHRIST**BALANCE SHEET****AS AT 31 AUGUST 2021**

		2021	2020
	£	£	£
Fixed Assets			
Motor Vehicles		4219	5,625
Current Assets			
Debtors		3,831	1,342
Cash at bank and in hand	34,796		21,145
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	38,627		22,487
Creditors: Amounts falling	(773)		(1,103)
Due within one year	———		———
Net current assets		<u>37,854</u>	<u>21,384</u>
Total assets less current liabilities		42,073	27,009
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Net assets		42,073	27,009
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Income Funds			
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Serving Trustees – Sep 2020 – Aug 2021

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Kate Duckering joined the trustees in November 2012 and currently holds the position of Chair. She is retired from her role in the human resources team at Torbay Hospital. Kate worships at Ivybridge Methodist Church.

Natalie Dugdall joined the trustees in January 2021, initially co-opted onto the Board by the trustees. She works at Breakthrough Trust and worships at Totnes United Free Church.

Steve Harvey rejoined the trustees in September 2018, being co-opted onto the Board. Steve served as Treasurer, a person who our volunteer bookkeeper can turn to and is responsible to. Steve is a retired newspaper editor. Steve worships at Yealmpton Methodist Church.

Dave Martin (Rev) became a trustee at the AGM in March 2019. Dave is a retired Methodist Minister currently worshipping at Plymouth Methodist Central Hall.

Mignonne Thornton – Min joined the team in March 2017 and is also an active volunteer with The Bridge Project. Min worships at the Salvation Army in Ivybridge. Min stepped down as a Trustee on 20 Sep 2020 to concentrate on her new work offering support for women with mental health issues but remains as a Bridge Project volunteer.

Council of Reference

Ian and Ruth Hammond (Lt) are the leaders of the Salvation Army in Ivybridge.

Marian Langsford (Dr) is a retired GP who worked in Ivybridge for over 20 years. Marian worships at St Johns, Ivybridge.

Mark Lawrence (Rev) was the Minister for Ivybridge, Yealmpton and Bittaford Methodist Churches. Mark stepped down from the Council of Reference at the AGM on 24 March 2021 prior to moving on from Ivybridge.

Jonny Libby works as an assistant pastor at Plymouth Methodist Central Hall having previously worked in banking. He is passionate about his faith, family, food, and football.

Jeff Stephenson (Dr) is Medical Director at St Luke's Hospice Plymouth, where he has worked, as a doctor, for over 15 years.

Lois Stephenson (Dr) Lois is a primary school teacher and has had a long interest in children and young people's work. Lois and Jeff worship at St Matthias Church, Plymouth.

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IVYBRIDGE YOUTH FOR CHRIST

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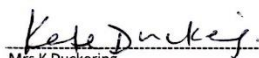
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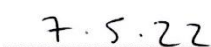
The charity is reliant on voluntary income and donations which totalled £59,048 (2020- £47,884). The total expenditure for the year totalled £43,984 (2019 - £45,277).

It is the policy of the charity that unrestricted funds which have not been designated for a specific use should be maintained at a level equivalent to between one and three months expenditure. The trustees considers that reserves at this level will ensure that, in the event of a significant drop in funding, they will be able to continue the charity's current activities while consideration is given to ways in which additional funding may be raised.

On behalf of the board of trustees



Mrs K Duckering
Trustee



Date

**IVYBRIDGE YOUTH FOR CHRIST
INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2021**

I report on the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31 August 2021, which are set out on pages 5 to 15.

Respective Responsibilities of Trustees and Auditors

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed. The charity's gross income exceeds £25,000 and I am qualified to undertake the examination being a qualified member of the Association of Chartered Certified Accountants.

Having satisfied myself that the charity is not subject to an audit and is eligible for independent examination, it is my responsibility to:

- (i) examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act;
- (ii) to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act; and
- (iii) to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's report

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

Independent examiner's statement

Your attention is drawn to the fact that the charity has prepared accounts in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities.

I understand that this has been done in order for the accounts to provide a true and fair view in accordance with Generally Accepted Accounting Practice effective for reporting periods beginning on or after 1 January 2015.

In connection with my examination, no other matter except that referred to in the previous paragraph has come to my attention:

- (a) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:
 - (i) to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the 2011 Act; and
 - (ii) to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records, and comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act;have not been met or
- (b) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



Mr S Wood FCCA (Honorary)
Newton Abbot, Devon

13 April 2022
Date

IVYBRIDGE YOUTH FOR CHRIST

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES (INCLUDING INCOME & EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2021

				Year ended 31 Aug 21 £	Year ended 31 Aug 20 £
	Notes	Unrestricted £	Restricted £		
<u>Income and endowments from:</u>					
Donations and legacies	2	52,960	5,292	58,252	44,985
Charitable activities	3	787	-	787	2,867
Investments	4	9		9	32
Total Income		53,756	5,292	59,048	47,884
<u>Expenditure on:</u>					
Charitable activities	5	36,427	7,557	43,984	45,277
Total expenditure		36,427	7,557	43,984	45,277
Net income / (expenditure)		17,329	(2,265)	15,064	2,607
Transfer between funds		(6,674)	6,674	-	-
Net movement in funds		10,655	4,409	15,064	2,607
<u>Reconciliation of funds:</u>					
Total funds brought forward		13,303	13,706	27,009	24,402
Total funds carried forward		23,958	18,115	42,073	27,009

The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year.

All income and expenditure derive from continuing activities.

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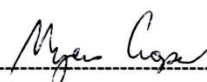
BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 31 AUGUST 2021

		2021		2020	
	Notes	£	£	£	£
Fixed Assets					
Motor Vehicles	9		4,219		5,625
Current Assets					
Debtors	10	3,831		1,342	
Cash at bank and in hand		34,796		21,145	
		<u>38,627</u>		<u>22,487</u>	
Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year	11	(773)		(1,103)	
		<u></u>		<u></u>	
Net current assets			<u>37,854</u>		<u>21,384</u>
Total assets less current liabilities			<u>42,073</u>		<u>27,009</u>
Net assets			<u>42,073</u>		<u>27,009</u>
Income Funds					
Unrestricted funds			23,958		13,303
Restricted funds	12		18,115		13,706
Total Funds	13		<u>42,073</u>		<u>27,009</u>

The financial statements were approved by the Board on

6 May 22



Trustee

IVYBRIDGE YOUTH FOR CHRIST
STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2021

	Notes	2021		2020	
		£	£	£	£
Cash flows from operating activities					
Cash generated from operations	14		13,642		4,911
Investing activities					
Purchase of tangible fixed assets		-		-	
Interest received		9		32	
Net cash generated from/ (used in) investing activities			9		32
Net cash used in financing activities			-		-
Net increase/ (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents			13,651		4,943
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of year			21,145		16,202
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of year			<u>34,796</u>		<u>21,145</u>

IVYBRIDGE YOUTH FOR CHRIST
NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2021

1 Accounting policies

Charity information

Ivybridge Youth for Christ is an unincorporated charity established by constitution in 2006.

1.1 Basis of Preparation

These accounts have been prepared in accordance with FRS 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland" ("FRS 102"), "Accounting and Reporting by Charities" the Statement of Recommended Practice for charities applying FRS 102, the Charities Act 2011 and UK Generally Accepted Accounting Practice as it applies from 1 January 2019. The charity is a Public Benefit Entity as defined by FRS 102.

The accounts have departed from the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 only to the extent required to provide a true and fair view. This departure has involved following the Statement of Recommended Practice for charities applying FRS 102 rather than the version of the Statement of Recommended Practice which is referred to in the Regulations but which has since been withdrawn.

The accounts are prepared in sterling, which is the functional currency of the charity. Monetary amounts in these financial statements are rounded to the nearest £1.

The accounts have been prepared on the historical cost convention. The principal accounting policies adopted are set out below.

1.2 Going concern

At the time of approving the accounts, the trustees have a reasonable expectation that the charity has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. Thus the trustees continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the accounts.

1.3 Charitable funds

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of their charitable objectives unless the funds have been designated for other purposes.

Restricted funds are subject to specific conditions by donors as to how they may be used. The purposes and uses of the restricted funds are set out in the notes to the accounts.

Endowment funds are subject to specific conditions by donors that the capital must be maintained by the charity.

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1 Accounting policies

(continued)

1.4 Incoming Resources

Income is recognised when the charity is legally entitled to it after any performance conditions have been met, the amounts can be measured reliably, and it is probable that income will be received.

Cash donations are recognised on receipt. Other donations are recognised once the charity has been notified of the donation, unless performance conditions require deferral of the amount. Income tax recoverable in relation to donations received under Gift Aid or deeds of covenant is recognised at the time of the donation.

All incoming resources are recognised once the charity has entitlement to the resources, it is certain that the resources will be received and the monetary value of incoming resources can be measured with sufficient reliability.

Income from donations and grants, including capital grants, is included in incoming resources when these are receivable, except as follows:

- when donors specify that donations and grants given to the charity must be used in future accounting periods, the income is deferred until those periods; and
- when donors impose conditions which have to be fulfilled before the charity becomes entitled to use such income;

the income is deferred and not included in incoming resources until the pre-conditions for use have been met.

Turnover is measured at the fair value of the consideration received or receivable and represents amounts receivable for goods and services provided in the normal course of business, net of discounts, VAT and other sales related taxes.

Interest receivable:

Interest receivable is included in investment income when it is receivable by the charity.

Rental income:

Rent is received on a monthly basis and is recognised when due.

Intangible income, comprising donated services, is included in incoming resources at a valuation which is an estimate of the financial cost borne by the donor where such a cost is quantifiable and measurable. No income is recognised when

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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS (CONTINUED)
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1 Accounting policies (continued)

1.5 Resources expended

Liabilities are recognised as resources expended as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to the expenditure. All expenditure is accounted for on the accruals basis and includes irrecoverable VAT. Expenditure is allocated to categories either on a direct or a usage basis.

Expenditure that is directly attributable to raising funds is included in the costs of generating funds.

Expenditure attributable to meeting the aims and objectives, including the support costs, is included in charitable activities.

1.6 Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include cash in hand, deposits held at call with banks, other short-term liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less, and bank overdrafts. Bank overdrafts are shown within borrowings in current liabilities.

1.7 Financial instruments

The Charity has elected to apply the provisions of Section 11 'Basic Financial Instruments' and Section 12 'Other Financial Instruments Issues' of FRS 102 to all of its financial instruments.

Financial instruments are recognised when the charity becomes party to the contractual provisions of the instrument.

Financial assets are offset, with the net amounts presented in the accounts when there is a legally enforceable right to set off the recognised amounts and there is an intention to settle on a net basis or to realise the asset and settle the liability simultaneously.

Basic financial assets

Basic financial assets, which include trade and other receivables and cash and bank balances, are initially measured at transaction price including transaction costs and are subsequently carried at amortised cost using the effective interest method unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where the transaction is measured at the present value of the future receipts discounted at a market rate of interest.

Basic financial liabilities

Basic financial liabilities, including trade and other payables, are initially recognised at transaction price unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where the debt instrument is measured at the present value of the future receipts discounted at a market rate of interest. Debt instruments are subsequently carried at amortised cost, using the effective interest rate method.

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FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2021

1 Accounting policies (continued)

Trade payables are obligations to pay for goods or services that have been acquired in the ordinary course of operations from suppliers. Accounts payable are classified as current liabilities if payment is due within one year or less. If not, they are presented as non-current liabilities. Trade payables are recognised initially at transaction price and subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

Derecognition of financial liabilities

Financial liabilities are derecognised when the charity's contractual obligations expire or are discharged or cancelled.

1.7 Tangible Fixed Assets

Tangible fixed assets are initially measured at cost and subsequently measure at cost or valuation, net of any depreciation and any impairment losses.

Depreciation is recognised so as to write off the cost or valuation of assets less their residual value over their useful economic lives as follows:

Motor Vehicles	25% Reducing balance
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The gain or loss arising on the disposal of an asset is determined as the difference between the sale proceeds and any carrying value of the asset, and is recognised in the net income/(expenditure) for the year.

2 Donations and legacies

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total 2021 £	Total 2020 £
Unrestricted funds:				
Donations and gifts	46,132	5,292	51,424	40,514
Gift aid rebates	6,828	-	6,828	4,471
	<u>52,960</u>	<u>5,292</u>	<u>58,252</u>	<u>44,985</u>
For the year ended 31 August 2020	<u>37,318</u>	<u>7,667</u>		<u>44,985</u>

3 Charitable activities

	2021 £	2020 £
Fundraising activities	787	1,787
Grants	<u>2,262</u>	<u>1,080</u>
	<u>3,049</u>	<u>2,867</u>

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FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2021

4 Investments	2021	2020
	£	£
Interest receivable	9	32
	<u>9</u>	<u>32</u>

5 Expenditure	Staff costs	Depre- ciation	Other costs	Grant funding	Total 2021	Total 2020
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Charitable activities						
<u>Advancement of religion</u>						
Unrestricted	29,507	-	6,920	-	36,427	31,737
Restricted	5,382	1,406	769	-	7,557	13,540
Total	<u>34,889</u>	<u>1,406</u>	<u>7,689</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>43,984</u>	<u>45,277</u>

Costs allocated to The Bridge Project include the depreciation on the Van purchased for the project along with 15% of the wages costs and 10% of the support overheads for the charity as a whole. Direct wages of £2,696 incurred on a restricted project have also been included in restricted funds.

6 Support costs	£	£
Staff costs	34,889	34,361
Telephone	91	81
Computer costs	632	924
Postage	331	123
Photocopying and stationery	134	399
Travelling expenses	713	706
Insurance	391	413
Resources	743	696
Events inc. refreshments	208	606
Conferences	-	361
Sundries	543	355
Bank charges	124	95
Outreach costs	3,779	4,282
Depreciation	1,406	1,875
	<u>43,984</u>	<u>45,277</u>

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7 Trustees

None of the trustees (or any persons connected with them) received any remuneration during the year, and none of them were reimbursed travelling expenses (2020: none were reimbursed).

8 Employees

Number of employees

The average number of employees during the year was:

	2021 Number	2020 Number
Director	1	1
Administrator/Sessional Worker	1	1
	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>

Employment costs

	2021 £	2020 £
Wages and salaries	33,229	32,606
Pension Contributions	1,660	1,755
	<u>34,889</u>	<u>34,361</u>

There were no employees whose annual remuneration was £60,000 or more (2020: Nil).

9 Fixed Assets

	Van £
<i>Cost</i>	
Balance Brought Forward	10,000
Additions in year	
Balance Carried Forward	<u>10,000</u>
<i>Depreciation</i>	
Charge Brought Forward	4,375
Charge in the Year	1,406
Charge Carried Forward	<u>5,781</u>
Net Book Value at 31 August 2021	<u>4,219</u>
Net Book Value at 31 August 2020	<u>5,625</u>

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10 Debtors	2021	2020
	£	£
Gift Aid Debtor	3,556	1,067
Prepayments and accrued income	275	275
	3,831	1,342

11 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	2021	2020
	£	£
Taxes and social security costs	359	350
Other creditors & accruals	414	753
	773	1,103

12 Restricted Funds

	Balance at 1 September 2020	Income	Expenditure	Transfers	Balance at 31 August 2021
	£	£	£	£	£
Redundancy Fund	10,084			6,674	16,758
Sessional Worker	-	2,696	(2,696)		-
Bridge Project	3,622	2,596	(4,861)		1,357
					-
	13,706	5,292	(7,557)	6,674	18,115

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13 Analysis of net assets between funds

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total
	£	£	£
Fund balances at 31 August 2021 are represented by:			
Fixed Assets	-	4,219	4,219
Current assets	24,731	13,896	38,627
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	(1,103)	-	(773)
Creditors: amounts falling due			-
	23,628	18,115	42,073

At 31 August 2021 the amount of the Free Reserves at the charity's disposal was £23,628 (2020: £13,303).

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14 Cash generated from operations	2021	2020
	£	£
Surplus/ (deficit) for the year	15,064	2,607
Adjustments for:		
Investment income recognised in profit or loss	(9)	(32)
Depreciation	1,406	1,875
Movements in working capital		
(Increase) in debtors	(2,489)	(30)
Increase in creditors	(330)	491
	<u>13,642</u>	<u>4,911</u>

15 Related party transactions

During the year the trustees made donations to the charity totalling £493 (2020 - £326)

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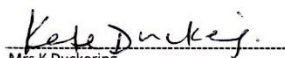
The number of people helped by the charity is estimated at 1,000.


Financial Review

The charity is reliant on voluntary income and donations which totalled £59,048 (2020- £47,884). The total expenditure for the year totalled £43,984 (2019 - £45,277).

It is the policy of the charity that unrestricted funds which have not been designated for a specific use should be maintained at a level equivalent to between one and three months expenditure. The trustees considers that reserves at this level will ensure that, in the event of a significant drop in funding, they will be able to continue the charity's current activities while consideration is given to ways in which additional funding may be raised.

On behalf of the board of trustees


Mrs K Duckering
Trustee


Date

**IVYBRIDGE YOUTH FOR CHRIST
INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2021**

I report on the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31 August 2021, which are set out on pages 5 to 15.

Respective Responsibilities of Trustees and Auditors

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed. The charity's gross income exceeds £25,000 and I am qualified to undertake the examination being a qualified member of the Association of Chartered Certified Accountants.

Having satisfied myself that the charity is not subject to an audit and is eligible for independent examination, it is my responsibility to:

- (i) examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act;
- (ii) to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act; and
- (iii) to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's report

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

Independent examiner's statement

Your attention is drawn to the fact that the charity has prepared accounts in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities.

I understand that this has been done in order for the accounts to provide a true and fair view in accordance with Generally Accepted Accounting Practice effective for reporting periods beginning on or after 1 January 2015.

In connection with my examination, no other matter except that referred to in the previous paragraph has come to my attention:

- (a) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:
 - (i) to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the 2011 Act; and
 - (ii) to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records, and comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act;have not been met or
- (b) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



Mr S Wood FCCA (Honorary)
Newton Abbot, Devon

13 April 2022
Date

IVYBRIDGE YOUTH FOR CHRIST

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES (INCLUDING INCOME & EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2021

				Year ended 31 Aug 21 £	Year ended 31 Aug 20 £
	Notes	Unrestricted £	Restricted £		
<u>Income and endowments from:</u>					
Donations and legacies	2	52,960	5,292	58,252	44,985
Charitable activities	3	787	-	787	2,867
Investments	4	9		9	32
Total Income		53,756	5,292	59,048	47,884
<u>Expenditure on:</u>					
Charitable activities	5	36,427	7,557	43,984	45,277
Total expenditure		36,427	7,557	43,984	45,277
Net income / (expenditure)		17,329	(2,265)	15,064	2,607
Transfer between funds		(6,674)	6,674	-	-
Net movement in funds		10,655	4,409	15,064	2,607
<u>Reconciliation of funds:</u>					
Total funds brought forward		13,303	13,706	27,009	24,402
Total funds carried forward		23,958	18,115	42,073	27,009

The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year.

All income and expenditure derive from continuing activities.

IVYBRIDGE YOUTH FOR CHRIST

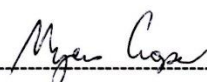
BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 31 AUGUST 2021

		2021		2020	
	Notes	£	£	£	£
Fixed Assets					
Motor Vehicles	9		4,219		5,625
Current Assets					
Debtors	10	3,831		1,342	
Cash at bank and in hand		34,796		21,145	
		<u>38,627</u>		<u>22,487</u>	
Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year	11	(773)		(1,103)	
		<u></u>		<u></u>	
Net current assets			<u>37,854</u>		<u>21,384</u>
Total assets less current liabilities			<u>42,073</u>		<u>27,009</u>
Net assets			<u>42,073</u>		<u>27,009</u>
Income Funds					
Unrestricted funds			23,958		13,303
Restricted funds	12		18,115		13,706
Total Funds	13		<u>42,073</u>		<u>27,009</u>

The financial statements were approved by the Board on

6 May 22



Trustee

IVYBRIDGE YOUTH FOR CHRIST
STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2021

	Notes	2021		2020	
		£	£	£	£
Cash flows from operating activities					
Cash generated from operations	14		13,642		4,911
Investing activities					
Purchase of tangible fixed assets		-		-	
Interest received		9		32	
Net cash generated from/ (used in) investing activities			9		32
Net cash used in financing activities			-		-
Net increase/ (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents			13,651		4,943
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of year			21,145		16,202
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of year			<u>34,796</u>		<u>21,145</u>

IVYBRIDGE YOUTH FOR CHRIST
NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2021

1 Accounting policies

Charity information

Ivybridge Youth for Christ is an unincorporated charity established by constitution in 2006.

1.1 Basis of Preparation

These accounts have been prepared in accordance with FRS 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland" ("FRS 102"), "Accounting and Reporting by Charities" the Statement of Recommended Practice for charities applying FRS 102, the Charities Act 2011 and UK Generally Accepted Accounting Practice as it applies from 1 January 2019. The charity is a Public Benefit Entity as defined by FRS 102.

The accounts have departed from the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 only to the extent required to provide a true and fair view. This departure has involved following the Statement of Recommended Practice for charities applying FRS 102 rather than the version of the Statement of Recommended Practice which is referred to in the Regulations but which has since been withdrawn.

The accounts are prepared in sterling, which is the functional currency of the charity. Monetary amounts in these financial statements are rounded to the nearest £1.

The accounts have been prepared on the historical cost convention. The principal accounting policies adopted are set out below.

1.2 Going concern

At the time of approving the accounts, the trustees have a reasonable expectation that the charity has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. Thus the trustees continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the accounts.

1.3 Charitable funds

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of their charitable objectives unless the funds have been designated for other purposes.

Restricted funds are subject to specific conditions by donors as to how they may be used. The purposes and uses of the restricted funds are set out in the notes to the accounts.

Endowment funds are subject to specific conditions by donors that the capital must be maintained by the charity.

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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS
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1 Accounting policies

(continued)

1.4 Incoming Resources

Income is recognised when the charity is legally entitled to it after any performance conditions have been met, the amounts can be measured reliably, and it is probable that income will be received.

Cash donations are recognised on receipt. Other donations are recognised once the charity has been notified of the donation, unless performance conditions require deferral of the amount. Income tax recoverable in relation to donations received under Gift Aid or deeds of covenant is recognised at the time of the donation.

All incoming resources are recognised once the charity has entitlement to the resources, it is certain that the resources will be received and the monetary value of incoming resources can be measured with sufficient reliability.

Income from donations and grants, including capital grants, is included in incoming resources when these are receivable, except as follows:

- when donors specify that donations and grants given to the charity must be used in future accounting periods, the income is deferred until those periods; and
- when donors impose conditions which have to be fulfilled before the charity becomes entitled to use such income;

the income is deferred and not included in incoming resources until the pre-conditions for use have been met.

Turnover is measured at the fair value of the consideration received or receivable and represents amounts receivable for goods and services provided in the normal course of business, net of discounts, VAT and other sales related taxes.

Interest receivable:

Interest receivable is included in investment income when it is receivable by the charity.

Rental income:

Rent is received on a monthly basis and is recognised when due.

Intangible income, comprising donated services, is included in incoming resources at a valuation which is an estimate of the financial cost borne by the donor where such a cost is quantifiable and measurable. No income is recognised when

IVYBRIDGE YOUTH FOR CHRIST
NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS (CONTINUED)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2021

1 Accounting policies (continued)

1.5 Resources expended

Liabilities are recognised as resources expended as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to the expenditure. All expenditure is accounted for on the accruals basis and includes irrecoverable VAT. Expenditure is allocated to categories either on a direct or a usage basis.

Expenditure that is directly attributable to raising funds is included in the costs of generating funds.

Expenditure attributable to meeting the aims and objectives, including the support costs, is included in charitable activities.

1.6 Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include cash in hand, deposits held at call with banks, other short-term liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less, and bank overdrafts. Bank overdrafts are shown within borrowings in current liabilities.

1.7 Financial instruments

The Charity has elected to apply the provisions of Section 11 'Basic Financial Instruments' and Section 12 'Other Financial Instruments Issues' of FRS 102 to all of its financial instruments.

Financial instruments are recognised when the charity becomes party to the contractual provisions of the instrument.

Financial assets are offset, with the net amounts presented in the accounts when there is a legally enforceable right to set off the recognised amounts and there is an intention to settle on a net basis or to realise the asset and settle the liability simultaneously.

Basic financial assets

Basic financial assets, which include trade and other receivables and cash and bank balances, are initially measured at transaction price including transaction costs and are subsequently carried at amortised cost using the effective interest method unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where the transaction is measured at the present value of the future receipts discounted at a market rate of interest.

Basic financial liabilities

Basic financial liabilities, including trade and other payables, are initially recognised at transaction price unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where the debt instrument is measured at the present value of the future receipts discounted at a market rate of interest. Debt instruments are subsequently carried at amortised cost, using the effective interest rate method.

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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS (CONTINUED)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2021

1 Accounting policies (continued)

Trade payables are obligations to pay for goods or services that have been acquired in the ordinary course of operations from suppliers. Accounts payable are classified as current liabilities if payment is due within one year or less. If not, they are presented as non-current liabilities. Trade payables are recognised initially at transaction price and subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

Derecognition of financial liabilities

Financial liabilities are derecognised when the charity's contractual obligations expire or are discharged or cancelled.

1.7 Tangible Fixed Assets

Tangible fixed assets are initially measured at cost and subsequently measure at cost or valuation, net of any depreciation and any impairment losses.

Depreciation is recognised so as to write off the cost or valuation of assets less their residual value over their useful economic lives as follows:

Motor Vehicles	25% Reducing balance
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The gain or loss arising on the disposal of an asset is determined as the difference between the sale proceeds and any carrying value of the asset, and is recognised in the net income/(expenditure) for the year.

2 Donations and legacies

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total 2021 £	Total 2020 £
Unrestricted funds:				
Donations and gifts	46,132	5,292	51,424	40,514
Gift aid rebates	6,828	-	6,828	4,471
	<u>52,960</u>	<u>5,292</u>	<u>58,252</u>	<u>44,985</u>
For the year ended 31 August 2020	<u>37,318</u>	<u>7,667</u>		<u>44,985</u>

3 Charitable activities

	2021 £	2020 £
Fundraising activities	787	1,787
Grants	<u>2,262</u>	<u>1,080</u>
	<u>3,049</u>	<u>2,867</u>

IVYBRIDGE YOUTH FOR CHRIST
NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS (CONTINUED)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2021

4 Investments	2021	2020
	£	£
Interest receivable	9	32
	<u>9</u>	<u>32</u>

5 Expenditure	Staff costs	Depre- ciation	Other costs	Grant funding	Total 2021	Total 2020
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Charitable activities						
<u>Advancement of religion</u>						
Unrestricted	29,507	-	6,920	-	36,427	31,737
Restricted	5,382	1,406	769	-	7,557	13,540
Total	<u>34,889</u>	<u>1,406</u>	<u>7,689</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>43,984</u>	<u>45,277</u>

Costs allocated to The Bridge Project include the depreciation on the Van purchased for the project along with 15% of the wages costs and 10% of the support overheads for the charity as a whole. Direct wages of £2,696 incurred on a restricted project have also been included in restricted funds.

6 Support costs	£	£
Staff costs	34,889	34,361
Telephone	91	81
Computer costs	632	924
Postage	331	123
Photocopying and stationery	134	399
Travelling expenses	713	706
Insurance	391	413
Resources	743	696
Events inc. refreshments	208	606
Conferences	-	361
Sundries	543	355
Bank charges	124	95
Outreach costs	3,779	4,282
Depreciation	1,406	1,875
	<u>43,984</u>	<u>45,277</u>

IVYBRIDGE YOUTH FOR CHRIST
NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS (CONTINUED)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2021

7 Trustees

None of the trustees (or any persons connected with them) received any remuneration during the year, and none of them were reimbursed travelling expenses (2020: none were reimbursed).

8 Employees

Number of employees

The average number of employees during the year was:

	2021 Number	2020 Number
Director	1	1
Administrator/Sessional Worker	1	1
	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>

Employment costs

	2021 £	2020 £
Wages and salaries	33,229	32,606
Pension Contributions	1,660	1,755
	<u>34,889</u>	<u>34,361</u>

There were no employees whose annual remuneration was £60,000 or more (2020: Nil).

9 Fixed Assets

	Van £
<i>Cost</i>	
Balance Brought Forward	10,000
Additions in year	
Balance Carried Forward	<u>10,000</u>
<i>Depreciation</i>	
Charge Brought Forward	4,375
Charge in the Year	1,406
Charge Carried Forward	<u>5,781</u>
Net Book Value at 31 August 2021	<u>4,219</u>
Net Book Value at 31 August 2020	<u>5,625</u>

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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS (CONTINUED)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2021

10 Debtors	2021	2020
	£	£
Gift Aid Debtor	3,556	1,067
Prepayments and accrued income	275	275
	3,831	1,342

11 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	2021	2020
	£	£
Taxes and social security costs	359	350
Other creditors & accruals	414	753
	773	1,103

12 Restricted Funds

	Balance at 1 September 2020	Income	Expenditure	Transfers	Balance at 31 August 2021
	£	£	£	£	£
Redundancy Fund	10,084			6,674	16,758
Sessional Worker	-	2,696	(2,696)		-
Bridge Project	3,622	2,596	(4,861)		1,357
					-
	13,706	5,292	(7,557)	6,674	18,115

Costs allocated to The Bridge Project include the depreciation on the Van purchased for this project along with 25% of the wages costs and 10% of the support overheads for the charity as a whole.

13 Analysis of net assets between funds

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total
	£	£	£
Fund balances at 31 August 2021 are represented by:			
Fixed Assets	-	4,219	4,219
Current assets	24,731	13,896	38,627
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	(1,103)	-	(773)
Creditors: amounts falling due			-
	23,628	18,115	42,073

At 31 August 2021 the amount of the Free Reserves at the charity's disposal was £23,628 (2020: £13,303).

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FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2021

14 Cash generated from operations	2021	2020
	£	£
Surplus/ (deficit) for the year	15,064	2,607
Adjustments for:		
Investment income recognised in profit or loss	(9)	(32)
Depreciation	1,406	1,875
Movements in working capital		
(Increase) in debtors	(2,489)	(30)
Increase in creditors	(330)	491
	<u>13,642</u>	<u>4,911</u>

15 Related party transactions

During the year the trustees made donations to the charity totalling £493 (2020 - £326)