AUCKLAND YOUTH AND COMMUNITY CENTRE

England & Wales · Charity number 1118157

Details

Status	Registered
Legal form	Charitable company
Company number	05772054
Registered	2007-02-28
Register	View on the Charity Commission register

Contact

Address	Auckland Youth and Community Centre Walker Drive Bishop Auckland County Durham DL14 6QL
Phone	01388604575
Website	www.aucklandyouthcommunitycentre.co.uk

Activities

Objects: A) TO MAINTAIN AND MANAGE THE BUILDING IN FURTHERANCE OF THE OBJECTS OF THE COMPANY;B) PROMOTE THE BENEFIT OF THE INHABITANTS OF BISHOP AUCKLAND, PRIMARILY RESIDENTS OF WOODHOUSE CLOSE ESTATE (HEREINAFTER CALLED "THE COMMUNITY") WITHOUT DISTINCTION OF SEX, SEXUAL ORIENTATION RACE OR OF POLITICAL, RELIGIOUS OR OTHER OPINIONS, BY ASSOCIATING TOGETHER THE SAID INHABITANTS AND THE LOCAL AUTHORITIES, VOLUNTARY AND OTHER ORGANISATIONS IN A COMMON EFFORT TO ADVANCE EDUCATION AND TO PROVIDE FACILITIES IN THE INTERESTS OF SOCIAL WELFARE, WITH THE OBJECTIVES OF IMPROVING THE CONDITIONS OF LIFE FOR THE SAID INHABITANTS; ANDC) PROMOTE SUCH OTHER CHARITABLE PURPOSES AS MAY FROM TIME TO TIME BE DETERMINED.

Activities: Auckland Youth and Community Centre is an active, vibrant and diverse community hub in the heart of Woodhouse Close, one of England's most disadvantaged housing estates. We are situated one mile from Bishop Auckland town centre. Our Centre, which opened in 1964, supports local people of all ages and needs with a wide range of activities, interventions, learning experiences and events.

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Classification

- **How:** Provides Human Resources, Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space, Provides Services, Provides Advocacy/advice/information, Other Charitable Activities
- **What:** General Charitable Purposes, Education/training, The Advancement Of Health Or Saving Of Lives, Disability, The Prevention Or Relief Of Poverty, Arts/culture/heritage/science, Amateur Sport, Environment/conservation/heritage, Economic/community Development/employment, Human Rights/religious Or Racial Harmony/equality Or Diversity, Recreation
- **Who:** Children/young People, Elderly/old People, People With Disabilities, People Of A Particular Ethnic Or Racial Origin

Geography

- **Area of benefit:** WOODHOUSE CLOSE ESTATE, BISHOP AUCKLAND
- Durham

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£381,083	£383,619	-	-
2024-03-31	£429,122	£461,199	-	-
2023-03-31	£0	£433,971	£321,444	22
2022-03-31	£413,455	£418,317	-	-
2021-03-31	£459,783	£371,315	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
WILLIAM WALLACE NIBLO	Chair	2011-10-01
Fleur Riley		2024-11-07
Jolanta Zofia Drygas		2018-03-08
Michael Dixon		2024-11-07
NADINE KIPLING		2016-04-18
Stephen Watson		2020-03-05

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AUCKLAND YOUTH AND COMMUNITY CENTRE

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Accounts

Company Registration Number: 5772054
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Auckland Youth and Community Centre Limited

Financial Statements

For the Year Ending

31 March 2025

Bringing Communities Together

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Auckland Youth and Community Centre Limited

Financial Statements

Year Ended 31 March 2025

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Auckland Youth and Community Centre Limited

Trustees' Annual Report (Incorporating the Director's Report)

Year Ended 31 March 2025

The trustees, who are also the directors for the purposes of company law, present their report and the unaudited financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2025.

Introduction

At the beginning of the financial year (April 2024) it was evident that unless we could significantly increase our income then the trustees predicted that we would end the financial year (March 2025) with a deficit of over £110,000. By the end of June 2024 the trustees had to make two members of staff redundant and reduce the hours of a third member. See page 5 for full details.

At the start of the financial year our Delivery Manager (Tracy Moore) introduced a new management information system.
Tracy and the delivery team had run test pilots prior to its introduction. Running parallel to the new and evolving system we decided to continue with the paper based recording system overseen by Jon Kelly, Centre Administrator. Between the two systems we get a much more accurate picture on centre usage and associated data. The additional benefit of a much more accurate recording system is reflected in our income from subscriptions and attendances.

During 2024 we celebrated our Diamond Jubilee. 60 years of uninterrupted services on the Woodhouse Close Estate and the wider Bishop Auckland area. A true reflection of the dedication and commitment of numerous volunteers and paid staff over the years.

Objectives

The objectives for which the charity is established are:-

1) To maintain and manage the building in furtherance of the objectives;
2) To promote the benefit of the inhabitants of Bishop Auckland, primarily residents of Woodhouse Close Estate without distinction of sex, sexual orientation, race or of political, religious or other opinions, by associating together the said inhabitants and the local authorities, voluntary and other organisations in a common effort to advance education and to provide facilities in the interest of social welfare, with the objective of improving the conditions of life for the said inhabitants, and
3) To promote such other charitable purposes as may from time to time be determined.

The Centre aims to:-

1) Improve the conditions of life for the inhabitants of Woodhouse Close Estate and the surrounding area.
2) Seek funding to maintain staff to develop the centre and its objectives.
3) Initiate activities and facilities to meet the needs of the Centre's users and the wider community.
4) Work in partnership with other agencies, groups and organisations to further the aims.
5) Encourage participation from members of the community to become actively involved in the management and the running of the Centre.
6) Promote the benefit of the community of Woodhouse Close residents by associating together volunteers and organisations in a common effort to improve the quality.

Activity Programme

Services in the Centre, on the Woodhouse Close Estate and in the wider Bishop Auckland area continue to be delivered by qualified and committed staff employed by Auckland Youth and Community Centre Limited. The main activities during the reporting period are described below.

The delivery team continued to develop and deliver a full range of activities for children, young people and adults. The programme included the following:

- After School Club

(Monday, Tuesday and Thursday afternoons)
Total attendance 808.

- Sports Sessions

(Two sessions each week)
Total attendance 465.

- Youth Clubs

Weekly drop in sessions and a project session working on project identified by young people. Total attendance 810.

- Craft Group

(Wednesday morning)
Total attendance 60.

- Man Cave

(Tuesday evenings and one Saturday every month).
Total attendance 222.

- Toddler Group

(each Monday morning, term time)
Total attendance 424

- Warm Space Project

This project ran over the winter months, the idea was to provide a warm place to meet and a snack for local residents, one day per week. The project was not well attended, but the concept behind the project was valid. Total attendance 148.

- Meet and Eat

Each Wednesday lunch time
A time for people to come together and have a lunch and a chat with staff and other adults in their community. Total attendance 169.

- Homework Club

Each Tuesday after school
A safe and warm space where young people can work on completing homework and school projects. We provide a range of stationary, calculators, a printer etc. as well as free drinks and snacks. Total attendance 33.

- Winter Wonderland

This Christmas themed project ran over five days and two evenings, and was enjoyed by local nurseries, primary schools, parent and toddler groups and youth projects. Total attendance 468.

- Winter Blues Family sessions

Each Saturday in January
Family sessions which bring local families together and have fun and enjoy free activities and a free

warm meal during the bleak month of January. Total attendance 126.

- School holiday programmes 2024/25

Total attendance 369.

Partnership projects and activities:

- Community Safety Day with WVCAG (Wear Valley Community Action Group) - attended by 374 people.
- Easter Fayre with WVCAG - attended by 145 people.
- Christmas Fayre WVCAG and others - attended by 151 people.
- Halloween Party - attended by 187 people.
- Menopause Group with Wellbeing for Life.
- Rock pooling with DABGC.
- Weardale Adventure Centre with DABGC.
- Princes Trust Community Garden.
- Information day WVCAG.
- Teesdale Stronger Together Youth Initiative.

Snapshot of other activities and events:

Trips and visits to:

- Jump 360.
- Rof59.
- Planet Leisure.
- South Shields.
- Beamish Museum.
- Town Council Awards.
- Kaspas.
- TCR Hub activity day.
- Weardale Activity Centre.
- Rock Pooling.
- Sailing.

Quotes from service users:

The Adult group is very important for myself and others as it helps us all socialise and understand our wellbeing, my mental health has improved through coming to this group and this group has helped me overcome a lot of the struggles I was facing in everyday life.

I really like being a part of the mancave group, it is a wonderful opportunity to get to know new people and I also get to have fun by playing darts and pool.

I really like coming to the different sessions, the sessions are fun and gives me something to do.

I like to come to sessions because I get a chance to meet my friends, I am not allowed to play outside in the streets at home.

Coming to the youth club is my safe space, the place where I can be myself and not worry about what others think.

Thank you so much for taking care of our children, they loved it ladies you rock.

Perfect weather and happy kids. Thank you all so much for today

Enjoy the friendly chats and meeting new people.

Nice to fit in with the group on a weekly basis.

Centre Numbers:
The data below represents the attendance figures to centre activities, to compare pre and post COVID Pandemic statistics.

2019-2020	2020-2021	2021-2022	2022-2023	2023-2024	2024-2025
17,812	2,616	10,847	10,261	8,814	9,699

The above figures do not include the numbers from the Crisis Intervention Project funded by the National Lottery Community Fund, run in partnership with Woodhouse Close Church Community Centre.

Whilst the attendance figures have not yet returned to pre-pandemic level. The numbers are on the increase post COVID, as is our unrestricted income due to the external usage of the centre. Use of Hayley's Room has increased through a growing number of training courses, plus regular bookings of the sports hall by the table tennis group and junior rugby. Jon Kelly continues to co-ordinate the external bookings and he has been ably supported by colleagues from the Delivery Team, who made themselves available to allow access to the centre.

Business Development

Introduction and overview:
2024-25 has been a very difficult year for Auckland Youth and Community Centre Limited. The trustees have made some very hard decisions to protect the organisation's long-term viability.

Before continuing, it is worth pausing for a moment to appreciate the hard work and commitment of the individuals, groups and partner organisations, far too many to mention, who have helped us to maintain a healthy position at the end of the financial year.

Key Facts and Figures:
This year we have seen an 11% drop in our income to £381,063, which is mainly due to our decrease in grant funding for core activities. Our expenditure has also decreased to £383,619, which is 16% less than last year, mainly due to savings made on salaries. The overall loss was £2,536 and much less than the predicted £114,174 mainly due to the decisions taken, by the trustees in the first quarter of the financial year.

Financial Governance:
We are pleased to report that due to crucial decisions taken by the Board of Trustees another good year of financial governance, which is, at least in part, the reason why we can report a healthy financial position this year. Examples of good governance, overseen by AYCC's Trustees and managers, include:

- Ongoing scrutiny of our financial activities, for example reference to our financial policy, whilst regularly checking that the policy remains fit for purpose.
- Monthly meetings of our Finance Monitoring Group, chaired by our Company Secretary and Treasurer, to review the Centre's most significant grant applications, grant monitoring, evaluation and reporting; general fundraising progress; income generation planning which is supported by an in-depth spreadsheet of our grant pipeline; and finally, any key issues that require resolution.
- Adherence to a robust reporting structure- including clear links between the Board of Trustees which meet on the first Thursday of the month and the Finance Monitoring Group which meet on the second Tuesday of the month.
- Detailed recording of progress through the grants pipeline, which is updated on an ongoing basis, with regular updates issued to Trustees.

Staff Updates:
As highlighted in last year's report our difficulty in securing core funding and by June 2024 the Board of Trustees had to make the difficult decision to make 2 members of staff of the core team redundant and reduce the hours of our centre administrator from 35 hour per week to 23 hours.

The Board of Trustees have taken on some of their duties and revised the charity's organisational chart to reflect no core team.

We thank our staff for their hard work and dedication to the centre through this very difficult time and We are happy to report the measures taken have been successful and kept the charity on track.

Volunteer Coordinator:
The volunteer coordinator came into post with funding from Community Foundation Tyne and Wear in November 2022. Further funding to continue the programme from November 2023 was secured from the National Lottery's Know Your Neighbourhood Fund. One of the first priorities of the post was to begin tracking volunteers' contribution to the organisation and the financial year 24/25 was the second full year of data collected to demonstrate how many hours were contributed by the volunteers.

This post's funding ended in March 2025 and it was agreed not to continue with the post and volunteers at the centre have been mentored by our staff members and the feedback on this is very positive. We encourage more people to join us and get involved in many activities.

Income Generation:

It is important to note that once again, most of our income has been secured through successful grant applications to funders.

The grants we have secured this financial year are too many to mention within this section of the report. It goes without saying that all grants are extremely important to us, and each funder is rightly acknowledged in the accounts.

As reported under staffing, difficult decisions taken have made us look at all streams of funding and the Finance Monitoring Group continue to explore all avenues to maintain a healthy financial position.

Business Plan:
Following the extensive review of the Business plan, during 2022-23 our trustees developed a set of key priorities and a balanced score card of key actions. The balanced score is regularly reviewed by the Board of Trustees.

Partnerships:
This year, once again, our business would not have been able to develop and grow without the fantastic support of many partners. These include:

- Gaunless Gateway Big Local (GGBL) with whom we work very closely on many levels including project delivery, some of which is also funded by GGBL, and our provision of a management service to support GGBL staff team.
- Woodhouse Close Church Community Centre with whom we work to provide critical support for our residents through our NLCF funding.
- Networks and collaborations with several joint projects that have emerged; with Youth Focus Northeast, the Northeast Youth Alliance, NE Youth, Durham Association of Boys and Girls Clubs, Teesdale Stronger Together Youth Initiative, and Wear Valley Community Action Group.

Strategic Financial Way Forward

For AYCC, 2024-25 has been another year during which we have continued to build upon our strengths, thereby remaining on track for a financially sustainable future. Some of the ways in which we have managed to do this include:

- Beginning to examine how we may diversify income streams, to allow for a reduced dependence on grants. This has taken longer than planned due to the Covid pandemic and the cost-of-living crisis.
- More focus on increasing unrestricted funds e.g. larger fundraising including delivery of corporate events perhaps with local partners.
- Ongoing review of all contracts and costs associated with running the building.
- Continued emphasis on marketing and promotion.

Building Fabric

The building has been maintained over the past 12 months, to ensure it meets all statutory and health and safety requirements. The building is also cleaned five days every week.

Long-term, our goal is a whole-centre refurbishment. Meanwhile, we have continued to identify works to improve the facilities. Key features of the building works carried out during the financial year have included the provision of disabled access to both the sports hall and youth entrance.

The trustees are currently planning to open up the large drop in area and old creche room. Additional works include the addition of more external light (more windows), and the building of a sports hall store. Work on this is progressing with plans drawn up and permissions being sort.

Acknowledgements

Over the past 12 months, the Board of Trustees has continued to remain steadfast in understanding its roles and responsibilities including its strategic direction.

The Board of Trustees also very much appreciate the hard work and dedication shown by all of its paid staff and volunteers in our Delivery Team, which now includes Jon Kelly; our Centre Administrator. The team was ably managed by Tracy Moore. The quality of the services is of a very high standard.

At the end of June 2024 two members of staff were made redundant and a further member left in the autumn. The Board of Trustees wanted to place on record its thanks to John Wiseman, Benjamin Inian (Deepak), and Samantha Townsend for their work on behalf of AYCC. Additionally the Trustees wish to place on record our thanks and appreciation of Karon Johnson (cleaner).

As the employing body for the Gaunless Gateway Big Local Partnership (GGBLP) staff. The Board of Trustees would like to acknowledge the hard work and commitment shown by members of staff, Barbara Slasor, Susan Graydon and Joanne Agnew. At the 1st January 2025 Joanne transferred to work directly for AYCC to support the admin functions in the centre.

Although it is always difficult to single out particular funders, the Board of Trustees especially wanted to mention the valued support of the National Lottery Community Fund, the Henry Smith Charity, the Bishop Auckland and Shildon Area Partnership and the Gaunless Gateway Big Local Partnership.

The Board of Trustees would also like to say a big thank you to all of the Centre's other current funders (listed in our financial report) and other organisations who have supported its work over the past 12 months.

The Board of Trustees appreciates the support given to it through other means including the

contribution of Simon Healey from Durham Association of Boys and Girls Clubs, Jon Niblo and Gemma Lockyer Turnbull from NE Youth.

The Board of Trustees wishes to acknowledge the support given to it by Durham County Council, particularly that given by our two local County Councillors, Joanne Howey and Cathy Hunt. Both Joanne and Cathy have retired from the Bishop Auckland Division (formerly Woodhouse Close), and we wish them the very best for the future.

Additionally, the Board of Trustees wishes to thank and recognise the hard work of both Debbie Richardson and Anne Ramshaw for overseeing the delivery of the crisis intervention work, across at the Church, which is funded by the National Lottery Community Fund.

Finally, and not least the children, young people and adults who attend the many services and activities within the centre. We thank you for your ongoing support and interest in the centre.

Financial Review

Reserves Policy

The aim of the Trustees is to retain unrestricted "free" reserves equivalent to between 3 and 6 months' Centre running costs excluding depreciation and exceptional costs. At current activity levels this is equal to between £15,000 and £25,000. Unrestricted "free" reserves at 31st March 2025 were £36,527 which exceeds this range.

Investment Policy

Monies not required for immediate use are placed in High Interest Business Accounts. There are no other investments.

Risk Management

The major risks identified by the trustees have been reviewed and systems established to mitigate those risks.

Structure, Governance and Management

Legal Status

Auckland Youth and Community Centre is a charitable company. It was incorporated on 6th April 2006 with company number 5772054. It was registered as a charity on 28th February 2007 with charity number 1118157. It is governed by its memorandum and articles of association dated 6th April 2006, amended 30th January 2007 and also amended 13th June 2024.

Auckland Youth and Community Centre was originally built in 1962, officially opened on the 14th February 1964, as part of Central Government's development of youth facilities (particularly targeting young men) following the publication of the Lady Albemarle Report. The Centre was one of six "Boys' Clubs" in the North East of England. A sports hall extension was added in 1995, funded by the National Lottery.

Auckland Youth and Community Centre Limited is affiliated to the Durham Association of Boys and Girls Clubs, which is affiliated to UK YOUTH and NABGC (The National Association of Boys and Girls Clubs). Auckland Youth and Community Centre Limited is also affiliated to NE YOUTH which is affiliated to UK YOUTH.

Recruitment and Appointment of Trustees

Trustees are made up from residents of the area of benefit known as Woodhouse Close or surrounding area of Bishop Auckland and those with a common interest of the Centre and area.

A trustee is a person proposed by either themselves or another and appointed or elected at an Annual General Meeting, whatever his/her age as long as they are a member of the Centre.

Organisational Structure

The Board of Trustees has overall responsibility for meeting the organisation's legal duties, ensuring that it is properly managed, promoting good practice in all activities and ensuring the quality of all services delivered.

The overall responsibility for the management of the Centre sits with the Board of Trustees. On a day-to-day basis the Delivery Manager will assess and identify any health and safety issues. Any such issues are recorded on a Centre Management Log Form. All forms are processed through the Centre Administrator who will initially discuss with a nominated member of the Board of Trustees.

The trustees have had regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit throughout the year when deciding on the activities of the charity.

Reference and Administrative Details

Registered charity name	Auckland Youth and Community Centre Limited
Charity registration number	1118157
Company registration number	5772054
Principal office and registered office	Walker Drive Bishop Auckland County Durham DL14 6QL

The Trustees

Mr W W Niblo (Chair)	
Miss N Kipling	
Mr G Tomaszko	(Retired 30 June 2024)
Ms J Drygas	
Mrs M Carrick	(Retired 4 April 2024)
Mr S Watson	
Mrs N Tomaszko	(Retired 30 June 2024)
Mr M Dixon	(Appointed 7 November 2024)
Ms F Riley	(Appointed 7 November 2024)

Company Secretary	Miss N Kipling
Independent Examiner	Jane Ascroft FCA MA (Cantab) Enterprise House Harmire Enterprise Park Barnard Castle County Durham DL12 8XT

Small Company Provisions

This report has been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies entitled to the small companies exemption.

The trustees' annual report was approved on 3 July 2025 and signed on behalf of the board of trustees by:

Nadine Kipling 3.7.2025

Miss N Kipling
Trustee

Auckland Youth and Community Centre Limited

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Auckland Youth and Community Centre Limited

Year Ended 31 March 2025

I report to the trustees on my examination of the financial statements of Auckland Youth and Community Centre Limited ('the charity') for the year ended 31 March 2025.

Responsibilities and Basis of Report

As the trustees of the company (and also its directors for the purposes of company law) you are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements 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 the 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 the charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 your examiner must be a member of a body listed in section 145 of the 2011 Act. I confirm that I am qualified to undertake the examination because I am a member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales (ICAEW), 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 charity as required by section 386 of the 2006 Act; or

2. the financial statements do not accord with those records; or

3. the financial statements 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 financial statements 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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Jane Ascroft FCA MA (Cantab)
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Auckland Youth and Community Centre Limited

Statement of Financial Activities
(including income and expenditure account)

Year Ended 31 March 2025

	Note	2025 Unrestricted funds £	2025 Restricted funds £	2025 Total funds £	2024 Total funds £
Income and endowments					
Donations and legacies	**5**	15,587	263,780	**279,367**	344,279
Charitable activities	**6**	15,013	80,962	**95,975**	73,491
Income from investments	**7**	741	–	**741**	911
Other income	**8**	5,000	–	**5,000**	10,441
Total income		36,341	344,742	**381,083**	429,122
Expenditure					
Expenditure on charitable activities	**9,10**	55,454	328,165	**383,619**	461,199
Total expenditure		55,454	328,165	**383,619**	461,199
Net expenditure		(19,113)	16,577	**(2,536)**	(32,077)
Transfers between funds		89,793	(89,793)	–	–
Net movement in funds		70,680	(73,216)	**(2,536)**	(32,077)
Reconciliation of funds					
Total funds brought forward		106,885	182,482	**289,367**	321,444
Total funds carried forward		177,565	109,266	**286,831**	289,367

The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year.
All income and expenditure derive from continuing activities.

The notes on pages 15 to 35 form part of these financial statements.

Auckland Youth and Community Centre Limited

Statement of Financial Position

31 March 2025

	Note	2025 £	£	2024 £
Fixed Assets				
Tangible fixed assets	**16**		**44,364**	48,994
Current Assets				
Debtors	**17**	**5,114**		4,714
Cash at bank and in hand		**240,292**		244,419
		245,406		249,133
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	**18**	**2,939**		8,760
Net Current Assets			**242,467**	240,373
Total Assets Less Current Liabilities			**286,831**	289,367
Funds of the Charity				
Restricted funds			**109,266**	182,482
Unrestricted funds			**177,565**	106,885
Total charity funds	**20**		**286,831**	289,367

For the year ending 31 March 2025 the charity was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

Directors' responsibilities:

- The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year in question in accordance with section 476;
- The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and the preparation of financial statements.

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

These financial statements were approved by the board of trustees and authorised for issue on 3 July 2025, and are signed on behalf of the board by:

W. N'bb

Mr W W Niblo (Chair)
Trustee

The notes on pages 15 to 35 form part of these financial statements.

Auckland Youth and Community Centre Limited

Statement of Cash Flows

Year Ended 31 March 2025

	2025 £	2024 £
Cash Flows from Operating Activities		
Net expenditure	**(2,536)**	(32,077)
Adjustments for:		
Depreciation of tangible fixed assets	**4,630**	4,769
Other interest receivable and similar income	**(741)**	(911)
Changes in:		
Trade and other debtors	**(400)**	(120)
Trade and other creditors	**(5,821)**	4,868
Cash generated from operations	**(4,868)**	(23,471)
Interest received	**741**	911
Net cash used in operating activities	**(4,127)**	(22,560)
Cash Flows from Investing Activities		
Purchase of tangible assets	**–**	(18,941)
Net cash used in investing activities	**–**	(18,941)
Net Decrease in Cash and Cash Equivalents	**(4,127)**	(41,501)
Cash and Cash Equivalents at Beginning of Year	**244,419**	285,920
Cash and Cash Equivalents at End of Year	**240,292**	244,419

The notes on pages 15 to 35 form part of these financial statements.

Auckland Youth and Community Centre Limited

Notes to the Financial Statements

Year Ended 31 March 2025

1. General Information

The charity is a public benefit entity and a private company limited by guarantee, registered in England and Wales and a registered charity in England and Wales. The address of the registered office is Walker Drive, Bishop Auckland, County Durham, DL14 6QL.

2. Statement of Compliance

These financial statements have been prepared in compliance with FRS 102, 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and the Republic of Ireland', the 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) (Charities SORP (FRS 102)) and the Companies Act 2006.

3. Accounting Policies

Basis of Preparation

The financial statements have been prepared on the historical cost basis, as modified by the revaluation of certain financial assets and liabilities and investments measured at fair value through income or expenditure.

The financial statements are prepared in sterling, which is the functional currency of the entity.

The entity is a Public Benefit Entity.

Going Concern

There are no material uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue.

Judgements and Key Sources of Estimation Uncertainty

The preparation of the financial statements requires management to make judgements, estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts reported. These estimates and judgements are continually reviewed and are based on experience and other factors, including expectations of future events that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances. The trustees consider that there are no significant estimates or judgements affecting these financial statements.

Fund Accounting

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of the purposes of the charity.

Designated funds are unrestricted funds earmarked by the trustees for specific purposes.

Restricted funds are subjected to restrictions on their expenditure imposed by the donor.

3. Accounting Policies *(continued)*

Income

All income is included in the statement of financial activities when the charity is entitled to the income, any performance related conditions attached have been met or are fully within the control of the charity, the income is considered probable and the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy. The following specific policies are applied to particular categories of income:

Donations and legacy income is received by way of donations, legacies, grants and gifts and is included in full in the Statement of Financial Activities when receivable. Where legacies have been notified to the charity but the criteria for income recognition have not been met, the legacy is treated as a contingent asset and disclosed if material. Grants, where entitlement is not conditional on the delivery of a specific performance by the charity, are recognised when the charity becomes unconditionally entitled to the grant.

Donated services and facilities are included at the value to the charity, being the amount the charity would have been willing to pay to obtain services or facilities of equivalent economic benefit on the open market.

Investment income is included when receivable.

Income from charitable trading activity is accounted for when earned.

Income from grants, where related to performance and specific deliverables, are accounted for as the charity earns the right to consideration by its performance.

Expenditure

Expenditure is recognised on an accruals basis as a liability is incurred. Expenditure includes any VAT which cannot be fully recovered, and is reported as part of the expenditure to which it relates:

Costs of raising funds comprise the costs associated with attracting donations, grants and legacies and the costs of trading for fundraising purposes.

Charitable expenditure comprises those costs incurred by the charity in the delivery of its activities and services for its beneficiaries. It includes both costs that can be allocated directly to such activities and those costs of an indirect nature necessary to support them.

Other expenditure includes all expenditure that is neither related to raising funds for the charity nor part of its expenditure on charitable activities.

All costs are allocated between the expenditure categories of the SOFA on a basis designed to reflect the use of the resource. Costs relating to a particular activity are allocated directly, others are apportioned on an appropriate basis, as set out in the notes to the accounts.

Tangible Assets

Fixed assets are stated at cost less accumulated depreciation. The costs of minor additions or those costing below £500 are not capitalised.

3. Accounting Policies *(continued)*

Depreciation

Depreciation is calculated so as to write off the cost or valuation of an asset, less its residual value, over the useful economic life of that asset as follows:

Leasehold Property	-	Straight line over the lease term
Equipment	-	15% reducing balance

Impairment of Fixed Assets

A review for indicators of impairment is carried out at each reporting date, with the recoverable amount being estimated where such indicators exist. Where the carrying value exceeds the recoverable amount, the asset is impaired accordingly. Prior impairments are also reviewed for possible reversal at each reporting date.

For the purposes of impairment testing, when it is not possible to estimate the recoverable amount of an individual asset, an estimate is made of the recoverable amount of the cash-generating unit to which the asset belongs. The cash-generating unit is the smallest identifiable group of assets that includes the asset and generates cash inflows that largely independent of the cash inflows from other assets or groups of assets.

For impairment testing of goodwill, the goodwill acquired in a business combination is, from the acquisition date, allocated to each of the cash-generating units that are expected to benefit from the synergies of the combination, irrespective of whether other assets or liabilities of the charity are assigned to those units.

Financial Instruments

The charity only has financial assets and liabilities of a kind that qualify as basic financial instruments. Basic financial instruments are initially recognised at transaction value and subsequently measured at their settlement value.

Defined Contribution Plans

Contributions to defined contribution plans are recognised as an expense in the period in which the related service is provided. Prepaid contributions are recognised as an asset to the extent that the prepayment will lead to a reduction in future payments or a cash refund.

When contributions are not expected to be settled wholly within 12 months of the end of the reporting date in which the employees render the related service, the liability is measured on a discounted present value basis. The unwinding of the discount is recognised as an expense in the period in which it arises.

Debtors

Trade and other debtors are recognised at the settlement amount due after any trade discount offered. Prepayments are valued at the amount prepaid net of any trade discounts due.

Accrued income and tax recoverable is included at the best estimate of the amounts receivable at the balance sheet date.

Cash at Bank and in Hand

Cash at bank and cash in hand includes cash and short term highly liquid investments with a short maturity of three months or less from the date of acquisition or opening of the deposit or similar account.

Creditors

Creditors are recognised where the charity has a present obligation resulting from a past event that will probably result in the transfer of funds to a third party and the amount due to settle the obligation can be measured or estimated reliably. Creditors are normally recognised at their settlement amount after allowing for any trade discounts due.

Taxation

The company is considered to pass the tests set out in Paragraph 1 Schedule 6 of the Finance Act 2010 and therefore it meets the definition of a charitable company for UK corporation tax purposes. Accordingly, the company is potentially exempt from taxation in respect of income or capital gains received within categories covered by Chapter 3 Part 11 of the Corporation Tax Act 2010 or Section 256 of the taxation of Chargeable Gains Act 1992, to the extent that such income or gains are applied exclusively to charitable purposes.

4. Limited by Guarantee

The company is limited by guarantee. At 31st March 2025 there were 6 members each of whom had undertaken to contribute an amount not exceeding £1 in the event of a winding up.

5. Donations and Legacies

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	**Total Funds 2025 £**
Donations			
Donations	–	100	**100**
Fundraising	984	–	**984**
Grants			
Henry Smith Charity	–	60,000	**60,000**
National Lottery Community Fund	–	100,186	**100,186**
Garfield Weston	–	30,000	**30,000**
County Durham Community Foundation	–	16,500	**16,500**
Teesdale Stronger Together Youth Collective	–	14,127	**14,127**
Durham County Council - Civic Pride/It's Your Neighbourhood Fund.	–	500	**500**
NE Youth Print	12,000	–	**12,000**
Believe Housing	–	16,667	**16,667**
Sport England	–	12,000	**12,000**
Bishop Auckland Town Council	2,200	7,300	**9,500**
Sir James Knott Trust	–	5,000	**5,000**
Other grants	403	1,400	**1,803**
	15,587	263,780	**279,367**

5. Donations and Legacies *(continued)*

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2024 £
Donations			
Donations	309	–	309
Fundraising	903	–	903
Grants			
Bishop Auckland & Shildon Area Action Partnership	–	14,707	14,707
Henry Smith Charity	–	60,000	60,000
National Lottery Community Fund	–	111,968	111,968
Garfield Weston	–	25,000	25,000
County Durham Community Foundation	500	21,500	22,000
Neighbourhood budget	12,500	–	12,500
Teesdale Stronger Together Youth Collective	–	13,593	13,593
Happiness Hub Fund	–	7,436	7,436
Durham County Council - Civic Pride/It's Your Neighbourhood Fund.	6,000	–	6,000
NE Youth Print	–	6,000	6,000
Community Foundation Tyne & Wear and Northumberland - 1989 Willan Charitable trust	–	10,000	10,000
Bishop Auckland Town Council	–	4,450	4,450
Virgin Community Anchors Fund	–	10,000	10,000
Masonic Charitable Foundation	–	5,000	5,000
Other grants	3,800	10,613	14,413
Scotto Charitable Trust	–	10,000	10,000
Locality	–	10,000	10,000
	24,012	320,267	344,279

6. Charitable Activities

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	**Total Funds 2025 £**
Room hire	7,584	–	**7,584**
Other Centre income	1,466	–	**1,466**
After Schools	3,602	–	**3,602**
Challenge and Support Project	1,480	–	**1,480**
Henknowle	–	5,114	**5,114**
Gaunless Gateway Partnership	–	74,148	**74,148**
Other project income	881	1,700	**2,581**
	15,013	80,962	**95,975**

6. Charitable Activities *(continued)*

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2024 £
Room hire	3,970	–	3,970
Other Centre income	1,075	–	1,075
After Schools	1,650	–	1,650
Challenge and Support Project	2,496	–	2,496
Disability Group	80	–	80
Henknowle	–	6,007	6,007
West Auckland Youth Initiative	–	1,757	1,757
Gaunless Gateway Partnership	–	55,405	55,405
Other project income	1,051	–	1,051
	10,322	63,169	73,491

The majority of income from the Gaunless Gateway Big Local (£74,148) and Henknowle (£5,114) is paid out on salaries on behalf of their party organisations with only a small amount retained as a management charge.

7. Income from Investments

	Unrestricted Funds £	**Total Funds 2025 £**	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2024 £
Bank interest receivable	741	**741**	911	911

8. Other Income

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	**Total Funds 2025 £**
Employment allowance	5,000	–	**5,000**
	5,000	–	**5,000**

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2024 £
Employment allowance	5,000	–	5,000
Secondment income	–	5,441	5,441
	5,000	5,441	10,441

9. Expenditure on Charitable Activities by Fund Type

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	**Total Funds 2025 £**
Centre costs	54,359	–	**54,359**
Garfield Weston	–	6,897	**6,897**
Sport England (A Sport For Everyone Grant)	–	12,000	**12,000**
Gaunless Gateway Big Local	–	64,549	**64,549**
Henry Smith Strengthening Communities	–	35,486	**35,486**
After Schools	311	–	**311**
National Lottery Community Fund - Building Community Resilience - Phase 1	–	65,727	**65,727**
Teesdale Stronger Together Youth Collective	–	10,370	**10,370**
Ballinger Trust	–	8,608	**8,608**
AAP Delivery Manager Fund	–	19,945	**19,945**
CDCF Keeping Doors Open	–	9,750	**9,750**
Henknowle	–	5,114	**5,114**
CDCF Poverty Hurts	–	7,405	**7,405**
NLCF Know Your Neighbourhood Fund	–	31,761	**31,761**
Other project costs	784	3,223	**4,007**
CDCF Going Green Together	–	3,180	**3,180**
Happiness Hub - Stay & Scran	–	6,201	**6,201**
Scotto Charitable Trust - Homework/Study Groups	–	7,545	**7,545**
Point North Welcome Spaces - Warm Spaces & Winter Blues	–	2,100	**2,100**
National Lottery Community Fund - Building Community Resilience - Phase 2	–	24,333	**24,333**
Masonic Charitable Foundation	–	3,971	**3,971**
	55,454	328,165	**383,619**

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2024 £
Centre costs	68,682	–	68,682
Playbus	–	9,022	9,022
Garfield Weston	–	28,500	28,500
Gaunless Gateway Big Local	–	62,146	62,146
Henry Smith Strengthening Communities	–	60,000	60,000
After Schools	4,884	9,200	14,084
National Lottery Community Fund - Building Community Resilience - Phase 1	–	75,744	75,744
Holiday Activities	–	15,990	15,990
West Auckland Youth Initiative	–	20,475	20,475
Shildon Youth Initiative	–	7,764	7,764
AAP Delivery Manager Fund	–	21,715	21,715
Henknowle	–	6,007	6,007
CFTWN Volunteering Project Fund	–	18,052	18,052
CFTWN 1989 Willan Charitable trust	–	10,000	10,000
CDCF Joy Allen DP&CC CS Fund	–	3,474	3,474
NLCF Know Your Neighbourhood Fund	–	11,239	11,239
Virgin Community Anchors Fund	–	4,000	4,000
Other project costs	4,986	19,319	24,305
	78,552	382,647	461,199

10. Expenditure on Charitable Activities by Activity Type

	Activities undertaken directly	**Total funds 2025**	Total fund 2024
	£	£	£
Centre costs	54,359	**54,359**	68,682
Playbus	–	–	9,022
Garfield Weston	6,897	**6,897**	28,500
Sport England (A Sport For Everyone Grant)	12,000	**12,000**	–
Gaunless Gateway Big Local	64,549	**64,549**	62,146
Henry Smith Strengthening Communities	35,486	**35,486**	60,000
After Schools	311	**311**	14,084
National Lottery Community Fund - Building Community Resilience - Phase 1	65,727	**65,727**	75,744
Teesdale Stronger Together Youth Collective	10,370	**10,370**	–
Ballinger Trust	8,608	**8,608**	–
Holiday Activities	–	–	15,990
West Auckland Youth Initiative	–	–	20,475
Shildon Youth Initiative	–	–	7,764
AAP Delivery Manager Fund	19,945	**19,945**	21,715
CDCF Keeping Doors Open	9,750	**9,750**	–
Henknowle	5,114	**5,114**	6,007
CFTWN Volunteering Project Fund	–	–	18,052
CFTWN 1989 Willan Charitable trust	–	–	10,000
CDCF Poverty Hurts	7,405	**7,405**	–
CDCF Joy Allen DP&CC CS Fund	–	–	3,474
NLCF Know Your Neighbourhood Fund	31,761	**31,761**	11,239
Virgin Community Anchors Fund	–	–	4,000
Other project costs	4,007	**4,007**	24,305
CDCF Going Green Together	3,180	**3,180**	–
Happiness Hub - Stay & Scran	6,201	**6,201**	–
Scotto Charitable Trust - Homework/Study Groups	7,545	**7,545**	–
Point North Welcome Spaces - Warm Spaces & Winter Blues	2,100	**2,100**	–
National Lottery Community Fund - Building Community Resilience - Phase 2	24,333	**24,333**	–
Masonic Charitable Foundation	3,971	**3,971**	–
	383,619	**383,619**	461,199

11. Net Expenditure

Net expenditure is stated after charging/(crediting):

	2025	2024
	£	£
Depreciation of tangible fixed assets	**4,630**	4,769

12. Independent Examination Fees

	2025	2024
	£	£
Fees payable to the independent examiner for:		
Independent examination of the financial statements	**840**	840

13. Staff Costs and Emoluments

The total staff costs and employee benefits for the reporting period are analysed as follows:

	2025	2024
	£	£
Wages and salaries	**213,170**	295,010
Social security costs	**17,506**	22,730
Employer contributions to pension plans	**5,301**	6,348
Redundancy costs	**10,190**	–
	246,167	324,088

The average head count of employees during the year was 12 (2024: 15). The average number of full-time equivalent employees during the year is analysed as follows:

	2025	2024
	No.	No.
Number of management staff	**2**	3
Number of Centre staff	**1**	2
Number of project staff	**9**	10
	12	15

No employee received employee benefits of more than £60,000 during the year (2024: Nil).

Key Management Personnel

Key management personnel include all persons that have authority and responsibility for planning, directing and controlling the activities of the charity. The total compensation paid to key management personnel for services provided to the charity was £12,054 (2024:£45,188).

14. Trustee Remuneration and Expenses

No trustees received remuneration during the year (2024 - Nil).

During the year 3 trustees were reimbursed expenses totalling £2,391 (2024 - 2 trustees received a total of £1,729).

15. Transfers Between Funds

During the year £89,793 was transferred from restricted to unrestricted funds. This comprised:

	2025 £
Centre cost contributions from projects	**50,540**
Reclassifying AYCC funds as designated	**39,253**
	89,793

16. Tangible Fixed Assets

	Long leasehold property £	Equipment £	**Total £**
Cost			
At 1 April 2024 and 31 March 2025	96,106	88,583	**184,689**
Depreciation			
At 1 April 2024	52,355	83,340	**135,695**
Charge for the year	3,844	786	**4,630**
At 31 March 2025	56,199	84,126	**140,325**
Carrying amount			
At 31 March 2025	39,907	4,457	**44,364**
At 31 March 2024	43,751	5,243	48,994

17. Debtors

	2025 £	2024 £
Trade debtors	**247**	308
Prepayments and accrued income	**4,867**	4,406
	5,114	4,714

18. Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2025 £	2024 £
Creditors and accruals	**2,939**	8,760

19. Pensions and Other Post Retirement Benefits

Defined contribution plans

The amount recognised in income or expenditure as an expense in relation to defined contribution plans was £5,301 (2024: £6,348).

20. Analysis of Charitable Funds

Unrestricted funds

	At 1 April 2024 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfers £	**At 31 March 2025 £**
General Fund	20,950	15,539	(39,078)	39,116	**36,527**
Capital Fund	48,994	–	(4,630)	–	**44,364**
Redundancy Fund	25,491	–	(10,190)	4,125	**19,426**
After Schools	1,157	3,791	(308)	–	**4,640**
Challenge & Support Group	7,265	1,780	(396)	–	**8,649**
AYCC Training	953	–	(464)	–	**489**
Craft & Support Project	1,324	60	(2)	(1,382)	**–**
Man Cave Project	369	1,470	(137)	–	**1,702**
Stay n Eat	203	1,501	(5)	–	**1,699**
Toddlers	179	200	–	–	**379**
AYCC Delivery Manager/Youth Print Fund	–	12,000	–	(12,000)	**–**
AYCC Project Fund For Building Community Resilience Project Phase 2	–	–	(244)	59,934	**59,690**
	106,885	36,341	(55,454)	89,793	**177,565**

	At 1 April 2023 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfers £	At 31 March 2024 £
General Fund	42,682	34,965	(61,457)	4,760	20,950
Capital Fund	34,822	–	(4,769)	18,941	48,994
Redundancy Fund	21,903	–	–	3,588	25,491
Disability Group	4,105	80	(2,412)	(1,773)	–
After Schools	4,391	1,650	(4,884)	–	1,157
Challenge & Support Group	4,917	2,496	(1,921)	1,773	7,265
AYCC Training	3,649	–	(2,696)	–	953
Craft & Support Project	1,394	321	(391)	–	1,324
Man Cave Project	–	331	(2)	40	369
Stay n Eat	–	203	–	–	203
Toddlers	–	199	(20)	–	179
	117,863	40,245	(78,552)	27,329	106,885

Designated funds are for the following purposes:

After Schools - This fund comprises fee income from participants in the After Schools Club, and it is to be spent on After Schools provision.

Challenge & Support Project - This fund comprises fee income from participants in the Challenge & Support Project and it is to be spent on the same.

Craft & Support Project - This fund comprises fee income from participants in the Craft & Support Project and it is to be spent on the same.

Man Cave Group - This fund comprises fee income from participants in the Man Cave Group and it is to be spent on the same.

Stay & Eat Project - This fund comprises fee income from users of the Stay & Eat Project and it is to be spent on the same.

Toddlers Group - This fund comprises fee income from participants in the Toddlers Group and it is to be spent on the same.

Contingency Fund - This fund comprises money set aside for redundancies.

Training Fund - This fund comprises money set aside for training for staff, volunteers and trustees.

Capital - This fund contains all the fixed assets.

AYCC Building Community Resilience - This fund was for match funding from Centre Reserves for National Lottery Community Fund Building Community Resilience Project.

AYCC Delivery Manager/Youth Print Fund - This fund is towards costs for the Delivery Manager Post and for activities associated with the Youth Print Project.

AYCC Garden Project Fund - This fund is towards costs for the garden project.

AYCC Know Your Neighbourhood Fund - This fund was match funding from Centre Reserves for National Lottery Community Know Your Neighbourhood Fund Project.

AYCC Project Fund For Building Community Resilience Project Phase 2 - This fund contains match funding for National Lottery Community Fund Building Community Resilience Project Phase 2.

20. Analysis of Charitable Funds *(continued)*

Restricted funds

	At 1 April 2024 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfers £	**At 31 March 2025 £**
AYCC Delivery Manager /Youth Print Fund	14,113	–	–	(14,113)	–
AYCC Know Your Neighbourhood Fund	11,140	–	–	(11,140)	–
Bishop Auckland Town Council	650	–	(650)	–	–
CDCF Going Green Together	3,260	–	(3,179)	(81)	–
CDCF Poverty Hurts	7,405	–	(7,405)	–	–
Happiness Hub Fund (Stay & Eat)	6,201	–	(6,201)	–	–
Masonic Charitable Foundation	3,974	–	(3,974)	–	–
NLCF Know Your Neighbourhood Fund	18,761	15,000	(31,761)	(2,000)	–
Henknowle	–	5,114	(5,114)	–	–
AYCC Garden Project Funds	–	600	(600)	–	–
Believe Housing - Community Investment Core Funding Grant	–	16,667	–	–	**16,667**
Bishop Auckland Town Council - Delivery Work Fund	–	7,300	–	(7,300)	–
CDCF Core Costs To Support Our Delivery Programme Grant	–	3,000	–	(3,000)	–
CDCF Keeping The Doors Open!	–	10,500	(9,750)	(750)	–
Hadrian Trust	–	1,000	–	(1,000)	–
Henry Smith Charity - Strengthening Communities	–	60,000	(35,486)	(24,514)	–
BASH AAP Holiday Activities Fund	–	–	–	–	–
Scotto Charitable Trust	7,545	–	(7,545)	–	–
NLCF Building Community Resilience Project Phase 2	–	43,678	(24,332)	–	**19,346**
Point North Welcome Spaces - Warm Spaces & Winter Blues Project	–	3,000	(2,100)	(900)	–
Sport England - A Sport For Everyone Grant	–	12,000	(12,000)	–	–
Warburtons Community Grant	–	400	(400)	–	–
Sir James Knott Foundation	–	5,000	–	(5,000)	–
Garfield Weston Foundation	–	30,000	(6,896)	(220)	**22,884**
Gaunless Gateway (Big Local Partnership Agreement)	24,850	74,148	(64,549)	(5,275)	**29,174**
British & Foreign Schools Society	1,474	–	(1,474)	–	–

20. Analysis of Charitable Funds *(continued)*

AYCC Building Community Resilience	14,000	–	–	(14,000)	–
BASH AAP (Delivery Manager Fund)	34,283	–	(19,945)	–	**14,338**
Ballinger Charitable Trust	9,107	–	(8,607)	(500)	–
NLCF Building Community Resilience	24,220	41,508	(65,728)	–	–
WAYI General Fund	1,022	–	–	–	**1,022**
WAYI Teesdale STYC	477	14,127	(10,370)	–	**4,234**
Youth Print Fund	–	1,700	(99)	–	**1,601**
	182,482	344,742	(328,165)	(89,793)	**109,266**

	At 1 April 2023 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfers £	At 31 March 2024 £
AYCC Delivery Manager /Youth Print Fund	–	14,113	–	–	14,113
AYCC Know Your Neighbourhood Fund	–	–	–	11,140	11,140
Bishop Auckland Town Council	–	4,450	(3,800)	–	650
CDCF After Schools Club	–	5,000	(4,700)	(300)	–
CDCF AYCC Warm Spaces	–	3,000	(2,550)	(450)	–
CDCF Going Green Together	–	3,500	(240)	–	3,260
CDCF Poverty Hurts	–	10,000	(1,051)	(1,544)	7,405
Happiness Hub Fund (Stay & Eat)	–	7,436	(1,235)	–	6,201
Locality - Cost of Living Grant Programme	–	10,000	–	(10,000)	–
Masonic Charitable Foundation	–	5,000	(1,026)	–	3,974
NLCF Know Your Neighbourhood Fund	–	30,000	(11,239)	–	18,761
Henknowle	–	–	–	–	–
Henknowle	–	6,007	(6,007)	–	–
Playbus	9,022	–	(9,022)	–	–
Henry Smith Charity - Strengthening Communities	–	60,000	(60,000)	–	–
BASH AAP Holiday Activities Fund	1,283	14,707	(15,990)	–	–
Scotto Charitable Trust	–	10,000	(2,455)	–	7,545
WAYI Gaunless Gateway	3,765	–	(3,765)	–	–
Sir James Knott Foundation	–	–	–	–	–
Scholefield Trust	190	–	(190)	–	–
Garfield Weston Foundation	3,500	25,000	(28,500)	–	–
Gaunless Gateway (Big Local Partnership Agreement)	38,082	60,846	(62,146)	(11,932)	24,850

20. Analysis of Charitable Funds *(continued)*

British & Foreign Schools Society	–	2,500	(1,026)	–	1,474
Community Foundation Tyne & Wear and Northumberland - 1989 Willan Charitable Trust	–	10,000	(10,000)	–	–
Community Foundation Tyne & Wear and Northumberland - Volunteering Project Fund	18,051	–	(18,051)	–	–
Virgin Community Anchors Fund	3,000	10,000	(4,000)	(9,000)	–
AYCC Building Community Resilience	13,000	–	–	1,000	14,000
BASH AAP (Delivery Manager Fund)	55,998	–	(21,715)	–	34,283
Ballinger Charitable Trust	10,000	–	(893)	–	9,107
CDCF Joy Allen DP&CC CS Fund	3,474	–	(3,474)	–	–
Co Durham Sport Together Fund	5,000	–	–	(5,000)	–
Happiness Hub Fund	4,854	–	(4,854)	–	–
NLCF Building Community Resilience	17,996	81,968	(75,744)	–	24,220
Netherton Park Trust	5,000	–	(4,500)	(500)	–
Shildon Youth Initiative	8,307	–	(7,764)	(543)	–
WAYI General Fund	1,514	1,757	(2,089)	(160)	1,022
WAYI Teesdale STYC	1,505	13,593	(14,621)	–	477
Man Cave Project	40	–	–	(40)	–
	203,581	388,877	(382,647)	(27,329)	182,482

20. Analysis of Charitable Funds *(continued)*

AYCC Delivery Manager/Youth Print Fund - This fund is towards costs for the Delivery Manager Post and for activities associated with the Youth Print Project.

AYCC Garden Project Fund - This fund is towards costs for the garden project.

BASH AAP (Delivery Manager Fund) - Funding for the Delivery Manager Post for National Lottery Community Fund Building Community Resilience Project.

BASH AAP Holiday Activities Fund - This fund is for various grants received to support children and their families across the area to food and activity packs during school holidays periods.

Ballinger Charitable Trust - This grant is to extend our delivery program in West Auckland.

Believe Housing Community Investment Core Funding Grant - This grant to support people living on the Woodhouse Close Estate and the surrounding area with projects and activities.

Bishop Auckland Town Council Delivery Work Fund - Funds throughout the financial year have been received towards the winter wonderland activity and to support the delivery of activities.

Bishop Auckland Town Council - Easter Activities Fund This grant was towards Easter activities.

Bishop Auckland Town Council - International Women's Day Fund This grant was towards to International Women's Day activities.

British & Foreign Schools Society (After Schools) - This grant was towards running costs for the After Schools Project.

County Durham Community Foundation (Community Grants Funding Programme Grant) - This grant was towards running costs for the After Schools Project.

County Durham Community Foundation (Core Costs To Support Our Delivery Programme Grant) - This grant was towards core running costs for the organisation.

County Durham Community Foundation (Going Green Together Grant) - This grant was used to make the centre a greener organisation by increasing energy efficiency and reducing the centre's carbon footprint.

County Durham Community Foundation (Keeping The Doors Open! Grant) - This grant was for centre core running costs, contributions towards the salaries of the Administration Worker and to introduce a green champion to the centre.

County Durham Community Foundation (Poverty Hurt Grant) - This grant was used towards addressing the ongoing need to tackle severe local poverty and disadvantage in the local area.

County Durham Community Foundation (Welcome Spaces Grant) - This grant was used to provide a warm and comfortable place for residents of Woodhouse Close Estate to attend.

Garfield Weston Foundation - This grant is towards core running costs for the organisation.

Gaunless Gateway (Big Local Partnership Agreement) - This grant is to allow AYCC to employee two workers from the Gaunless Gateway Big Local Partnership.

Hadrian Trust - This grant was towards core running costs for the organisation.

Happiness Hub Fund (Stay & Eat) - This grant was towards staffing costs, activities costs, running costs and food and refreshments. The grant I helped beneficiaries who struggling with food costs.

20. Analysis of Charitable Funds *(continued)*

Henry Smith Charity (Strengthening Communities Grant) - This grant was for centre core running costs, specifically contributions towards the salaries of the Administration Worker and Cleaner.

Masonic Charitable Foundation (After Schools) - This grant is towards staffing costs, activities costs and healthy snacks for our After Schools Project.

National Lottery Community Fund (Building Community Resilience) - This grant was to deliver the Building Community Resilience to support people living on the Woodhouse Close Estate and the surrounding area with projects and activities.

National Lottery Community Fund (Building Community Resilience Project Phase 2) - This grant is to deliver the Building Community Resilience Project Phase 2 to support people living on the Woodhouse Close Estate and the surrounding area with projects and activities.

National Lottery Community Fund (Know Your Neighbourhood Fund) - This grant was for a Volunteer Coordinator to work with volunteers to improve their skills and the work of the organisation.

Netherton Park Trust (After Schools) - This grant is towards staffing costs, activities costs and healthy snacks for our After Schools Project.

Point North Welcome Spaces (Warm Spaces & Winter Blues Project) - This grant is used to provide a warm and comfortable place for residents of Woodhouse Close Estate to attend.

Scotto Charitable Trust - This grant was used support for the homework clubs/study groups for children and young people aged 7 years plus.

Sir James Knott Trust - This grant is towards core running costs for the organisation.

Sport England (A Sport For Everyone Grant) - The grant was to deliver sporting activities and events to children and young people.

Warburtons Community Grant - The grant was used on activities, equipment, volunteer expenses. Various sessions for the community to attend were held.

West Auckland Youth Initiative Project (General Fund) - This fund is towards a youth work project across West Auckland, specifically targeting young people who are not currently engaging in services.

West Auckland Youth Initiative Project (Teesdale Stronger Together Youth Collective Fund) - This grant is towards a youth work project across West Auckland, specifically targeting young people who are not currently engaging in services.

Henknowle - This fund was for the caretaker's salary at Henknowle Community Centre.

21. Analysis of Net Assets Between Funds

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	**Total Funds 2025 £**
Tangible fixed assets	44,364	–	**44,364**
Current Assets	136,140	109,266	**245,406**
Creditors less than 1 year	(2,939)	–	**(2,939)**
Net assets	177,565	109,266	**286,831**

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2024 £
Tangible fixed assets	48,994	–	48,994
Current Assets	66,651	182,482	249,133
Creditors less than 1 year	(8,760)	–	(8,760)
Net assets	106,885	182,482	289,367

22. Analysis of Changes in Net Debt

	At 1 Apr 2024 £	Cash flows £	**At 31 Mar 2025 £**
Cash at bank and in hand	244,419	(4,127)	**240,292**

23. Operating Lease Commitments

The total future minimum lease payments under non-cancellable operating leases are as follows:

	2025 £	2024 £
Not later than 1 year	**4,578**	4,578
Later than 1 year and not later than 5 years	**13,734**	18,312
	18,312	22,890

Auckland Youth and Community Centre Limited

Management Information

Year Ended 31 March 2025

The Following Pages Do Not Form Part of the Financial Statements.

Auckland Youth and Community Centre Limited

Detailed Statement of Financial Activities

Year Ended 31 March 2025

	2025 £	2024 £
Income and endowments		
Donations and legacies		
Donations	**100**	309
Fundraising	**984**	903
Bishop Auckland & Shildon Area Action Partnership	**–**	14,707
Henry Smith Charity	**60,000**	60,000
National Lottery Community Fund	**100,186**	111,968
Garfield Weston	**30,000**	25,000
County Durham Community Foundation	**16,500**	22,000
Neighbourhood budget	**–**	12,500
Teesdale Stronger Together Youth Collective	**14,127**	13,593
Happiness Hub Fund	**–**	7,436
Durham County Council - Civic Pride/It's Your Neighbourhood Fund.	**500**	6,000
NE Youth Print	**12,000**	6,000
Community Foundation Tyne & Wear and Northumberland - 1989 Willan Charitable trust	**–**	10,000
Believe Housing	**16,667**	–
Sport England	**12,000**	–
Bishop Auckland Town Council	**9,500**	4,450
Virgin Community Anchors Fund	**–**	10,000
Sir James Knott Trust	**5,000**	–
Masonic Charitable Foundation	**–**	5,000
Other grants	**1,803**	14,413
Scotto Charitable Trust	**–**	10,000
Locality	**–**	10,000
	279,367	344,279
Charitable activities		
Room hire	**7,584**	3,970
Other Centre income	**1,466**	1,075
After Schools	**3,602**	1,650
Challenge and Support Project	**1,480**	2,496
Disability Group	**–**	80
Henknowle	**5,114**	6,007
West Auckland Youth Initiative	**–**	1,757
Gaunless Gateway Partnership	**74,148**	55,405
Other project income	**2,581**	1,051
Carried forward	**(95,975)**	(73,491)

Auckland Youth and Community Centre Limited

Detailed Statement of Financial Activities *(continued)*

Year Ended 31 March 2025

	2025 £	2024 £
Brought forward	(95,975)	(73,491)
	95,975	73,491
Income from investments		
Bank interest receivable	**741**	911
Other income		
Employment allowance	**5,000**	5,000
Secondment income	**–**	5,441
	5,000	10,441
Total income	**381,083**	429,122
Expenditure		
Wages and salaries	**213,170**	295,010
Employer's NIC	**17,506**	22,730
Pension costs	**5,301**	6,348
Redundancy pay	**10,190**	–
premises costs	**24,092**	14,797
Insurance	**5,899**	5,685
Office costs	**8,554**	9,945
Depreciation	**4,630**	4,769
Other costs	**88,277**	90,671
Accountancy and Independent Examination	**960**	960
Professional and consultancy fees	**5,040**	10,284
Total expenditure	**383,619**	461,199
Net expenditure	**(2,536)**	(32,077)

AUCKLAND YOUTH AND COMMUNITY CENTRE

England & Wales - Charity number 1118157

Accounts

Company Registration Number: 5772054
Charity Registration Number: 1118157

AUCKLAND YOUTH AND COMMUNITY CENTRE LIMITED

TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT
FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31ST MARCH 2024.

Bringing Communities Together

COMMUNITY FUND

1.0 Background.

1.1 Auckland Youth and Community Centre was originally built in 1962, officially opened on the 14th February 1964, as part of Central Government's development of youth facilities (particularly targeting young men) following the publication of the Lady Albemarle report. The Centre was one of six "Boys' Clubs" in the North East of England. A sports hall extension was added in 1995, funded by the National Lottery.

1.2 Auckland Youth and Community Centre Limited is affiliated to the Durham Association of Boys and Girls Clubs, which is affiliated to UK YOUTH and NABGC (The National Association of Boys and Girls Clubs). Auckland Youth and Community Centre Limited is also affiliated to NE YOUTH which is affiliated to UK YOUTH.

1.3 The Board of Trustees has overall responsibility for meeting the organisation's legal duties, ensuring that it is properly managed, promoting good practice in all activities and ensuring the quality of all services delivered.

1.4 The overall responsibility for the management of the Centre sits with the Board of Trustees. On a day-to-day basis the Delivery Manager will assess and identify any health and safety issues. Any such issues are recorded on a Centre Management Log Form. All forms are processed through the Centre Administrator who will initially discuss with a nominated member of the Board of Trustees.

1.5 At the start of the financial year, our new Delivery Manager, Tracy Moore had only been in post for 2 months. Tracy and the delivery team have worked hard to increase the number of people using the centre. This hard work has been supported by Jon Kelly who has worked diligently to increase the external hire of the centre. Whilst we are not yet able to report that centre attendances have returned to pre-pandemic levels.
What we do know is that there is much more accurate recording of data, which is shown in our income. Additionally from the 1st of April 2024 we will be introducing a new management information system.

1.6 On the 14th February 2024, we celebrated our Diamond Jubilee. This is a great achievement and demonstrated the longevity of the organisation. A plaque was unveiled by Alderman John Lethbridge and Alderman June Lee. The day included an afternoon tea for invited guests, including past and present staff and volunteers. In the evening there was a family disco and buffet. In total over 170 people attended both events.

2.0 Activity Programme.

2.1 Services in the Centre, on the Woodhouse Close Estate and in the wider Bishop Auckland area continue to be delivered by qualified and committed staff employed by Auckland Youth and Community Centre Limited. The main activities during the reporting period are described below.

2.2 Delivery Team Activities
(Information provided by Tracy Moore, Delivery Manager, supported by Bill Niblo, Chairperson)

2.2.1 The delivery team continued to develop and deliver a full range of activities for children, young people and adults. The programme included the following:

- After School Club
  (Monday, Tuesday and Thursday afternoons)
  Total attendance 1,112.

- Multi-sports Sessions.
  (Two afternoons each week)
  Total attendance 379.

- Youth clubs
  Meets weekly in the centre, and joint work in Shildon, West Auckland and Teesdale.
  Total attendance 1,376.

- Youth Projects groups
  This group meets weekly to work on a project identified by young people.
  Total attendance 79.

- Buttons Group
  Bi-weekly on a Sunday
  Targeted at children and young people with disabilities, but staff also actively encouraged siblings to attend.
  Total attendance 108.

- Craft Group
  (Wednesday morning)
  Total attendance 403.

- Man Cave
  (Tuesday evenings and one Saturday every month).
  Total attendance 276.

- Toddler Group
  (Monday morning)
  Total attendance 402.

- Fun and Food Project
  Run during the main school holidays and included a range of trips and visits.
  Total attendance 995.

- Warm Space Project
  This project ran over the winter months, the idea was to provide a warm place to meet and a snack for local residents, one day per week. The project was not well attended, but the concept behind the project was valid.
  Total attendance 44.

- Meet and Eat
  Each Wednesday lunch time
  A time for people to come together and have a lunch and a chat with staff and other adults in their community.
  Total attendance 263.

- Homework Club
  Each Tuesday after school
  A safe and warm space where young people can work on completing homework and school project. We provide a range of stationary, calculators, a printer etc. as well as free drinks and snacks.
  Total attendance 36.

- Winter Wonderland
  11th – 15th December 2023
  The project ran over five days and two evenings, enjoyed by local nurseries, primary schools, parent and toddler groups and youth projects.
  Total attendance 413.

- Winter Blues Family sessions
  Every Saturday in January
  Family sessions each Saturday in January to help families come together and have fun and enjoy a free warm meal during the bleak month of January.
  Total attendance 223.

2.3 Centre Numbers

The data below represents the attendance figures to centre activities, to compare pre and post COVID Pandemic statistics.

2019-2020	2020-2021	2021-2022	2022-2023	2023-2024
17,812	2,616	10,847	10,261	8,814

Whilst the attendance figures have not yet returned to pre-pandemic level.

The above figures do not include the numbers from the Crisis Intervention Project funded by the National Lottery Community Fund, run in partnership with Woodhouse Close Church.

The numbers are also on the increase post COVID, as is our unrestricted income due to the external usage of the centre. Use of Hayley's Room has increased through a growing number of training courses, plus regular bookings of the sports hall by the table tennis group and junior rugby. Jon Kelly continues to co-ordinate the external bookings and he has been ably supported by colleagues from the Delivery Team, who made themselves available to allow access to the centre.

Snapshot 2023-2024

Joint projects and activities

- Peer Research Project
- Jubilee Event
- Coronation
- Rugby World Cup
- Sometimes It Hurts Project
- Cyber Bullying Project
- Quest for the Perfect Shirt

Trips and visits

- Baltic Gateshead
- Tweddle Farm
- Preston Park
- South Shields
- Little Theatre Gateshead
- pamtomime

Pantomime
TCR residential
Rock Pooling
Rugby

Quotes

- Young people often say the youth club is our safe space.
- We have fun ad meet up with our friends.
- We love the food at the youth club and sitting together with our friends eating.
- The youth Club gives us something to do, better than being bored at home.
- I like going to the Button Group because I feel comfortable there. I get on well with Laura and Natalie and they do good things, and I really like singing Elvis on the karaoke.
- Button Group parent.
  I feel like E has really settled in the group and he enjoys going. He has made new friends there and his confidence has grown since joining. Thank you to everyone involved.
- Member of the Man Cave Group.
  I really enjoy the group. It gives me something social to do and gets me out of the house a couple of hours a week as I can't travel far and I only go out

3.0 Business Development.

(Information provided by Nadine Kipling, Company Secretary and Samantha Townsend, Volunteer Coordinator).

3.1 Introduction and overview.

2023-24 has been another successful year for Auckland Community Centre Limited. We are planning with renewed confidence and an eye on longer-term sustainability.
Before continuing, it is worth pausing for a moment to appreciate the hard work and commitment of the individuals, groups and partner organisations far too many to mention, who have helped us in this healthy position.

3.2 Key Facts and Figures

This year we have seen a 15% drop in our income to £429,122, which is a more normal reflection than last year's unusually high figure. Our expenditure increased by 6% to £461,199, which is in line with inflation and less than our predicted expenditure. The overall loss was £32,077 and less than the anticipated £60,743.

3.3 Financial Governance

We are pleased to report another good year of financial governance, which is, at least in part, the reason why we can report a healthy financial position this year. Examples of good governance, overseen by AYCC's Trustees and managers, include:

- Ongoing scrutiny of our financial activities, for example reference to our financial policy, whilst regularly checking that the policy remains fit for purpose.
- Monthly meetings of our Finance Monitoring Group, chaired by our Business Development Manager, to review the Centre's most significant grant applications, grant monitoring, evaluation and reporting; general fundraising progress; income generation planning which is supported by an in-depth spreadsheet of our grant pipeline; and finally, any key issues that require resolving.
- Adherence to a robust reporting structure- including clear links between the Board of Trustees which meet on the first Thursday of the month and the Finance Monitoring Group which meet on the second Tuesday of the month.
- Detailed recording of progress through the grants pipeline, which is updated on an ongoing basis, with regular updates issued to Trustees.

3.4 Staff Updates

Our business development team continues to work hard, and we are pleased to welcome Helen, a volunteer to our numbers who is helping with research for funding bids.

3.5 Volunteer Coordinator

The volunteer coordinator came into post with funding from Community Foundation Tyne and Wear in November 2022. Further funding to continue the programme from November 2023 was secured from the National Lottery's Know Your Neighbourhood Fund. One of the first priorities of the post was to begin tracking volunteers' contribution to the organisation and the financial year 23/24 was the first full year of data collected to demonstrate how many hours were contributed by the volunteers. For the purpose of the figures below please note that the Trustees are included in the numbers for the records and the p/hr. nominal financial value given to a volunteer hour is linked to the Living Wage Foundation's real living wage which was increased in October 2023.
In 2023/24 financial year an estimated 2655.6 hours were donated in volunteer time. This equates to £30,365.80.
What do our volunteers say SS April 23 "From my first contact with the Centre the staff have all been very helpful and extremely welcoming. I have been coming for a few weeks and already feel part of the team not like a volunteer which is important to me as I feel I can get stuck in as a youth worker" LW "July 23 in my life I felt I have been used, but at the Centre I feel useful"

3.6 Income Generation

It is important to note that once again, most of our income has been secured through successful grant applications to funders.
The grants we have secured this financial year are too many to mention within this section of the report. It goes without saying that all grants are extremely important to us, and each funder is rightly acknowledged in the accounts (see separate document).
Towards the end of 2023, it became apparent to the Finance Monitoring Group that securing grants for core funds is becoming even more challenging and all efforts of the core team was concentrated in that area of work. The Board discussed the situation at length and agreed if funding could not be secured, we would need to restructure the organisation as it would be impossible to continue spending at the current levels.

3.7 Business Plan

Following the extensive review of the Business plan, during 2022-23 our Business Development Manager and Business Development and Marketing Coordinator were supported by Raphaela Meucci (volunteer, with a background of business development and marketing) to develop a set of key priorities and a balanced score card of key actions. The balanced score is regularly reviewed by the Board of Trustees.

3.8 Partnerships

This year, once again, our business would not have been able to develop and grow without the fantastic support of many partners. These include:

- Gaunless Gateway Big Local (GGBL) with whom we work very closely on many levels including project delivery, some of which is also funded by GGBL, and our provision of a management service to support GGBL staff team.
- Networks and collaborations including a professionally facilitated peer-support group supported by Virgin Money Foundation (VMF) who like AYCC, benefit currently from grants from VMF's Anchors' Fund. Additionally, we have healthy working relationship with several joint projects that have emerged; with Youth Focus Northeast, the Northeast Youth Alliance, North East Youth, and Teesdale Stronger Together Youth Collective.
- Durham University, with whom our excellent partnership continues. In 2022-23 we did not use their facilities because of other projects, however, in 2023-24 we have had two excellent interns working with us, Lily and Abby who produced some good work for us.

4.0 Strategic Financial Way Forward

For AYCC, 2023-24 has been another year during which we have continued to build upon our strengths, thereby remaining on track for a financially sustainable future.
Some of the ways in which we have managed to do this include:

- Beginning to examine how we may diversify income streams, to allow for a reduced dependence on grants. This has taken longer than planned due to the Covid pandemic and the cost-of-living crisis.
- More focus on increasing unrestricted funds e.g. larger fundraising including delivery of corporate events perhaps with local partners.
- Ongoing review of all contracts and costs associated with running the building.
- Continued emphasis on marketing and promotion.

5.0 Building Fabric

5.1 The building has been maintained over the past 12 months, to ensure it meets all statutory and health and safety requirements. The building is also cleaned five days every week.

5.2 Long-term, our goal is a whole-centre refurbishment. Meanwhile, we have continued to identify works to improve the facilities. Key features of the building works carried out during the financial year have included the provision of disabled access to both the sports hall and youth entrance.

5.3 The trustees are currently planning to open up the large drop in area and old creche room. Additional works include the addition of more external light (more windows), and the building of a sports hall store.

6.0 Acknowledgements.

6.1 Over the past 12 months, the Board of Trustees has continued to remain steadfast in understanding its roles and responsibilities including its strategic direction.

6.2 The Board of Trustees also very much appreciate the hard work and dedication shown by all of its paid staff and volunteers in our delivery team. The team was ably managed by Tracy Moore. The quality of the services is of a very high standard.

6.3 As with our service delivery team, the Board of Trustees very much appreciates the hard work and commitment of our support staff, and volunteers ably managed by John Wiseman. Again, the quality of the work is of a high standard.

6.4 As the employing body for the Gaunless Gateway Big Local Partnership (GGBLP) staff. The Board of Trustees would like to acknowledge the hard work and commitment shown by members of staff, Barbara Slasor, Susan Graydon and Joanne Agnew.

6.5 Although it is always difficult to single out particular funders, the Board of Trustees especially wanted to mention the valued support of the National Lottery Community Fund, the Henry Smith Charity, the Bishop Auckland and Shildon Area Partnership and the Gaunless Gateway Big Local Partnership.

6.6 The Board of Trustees would also like to say a big thank you to all of the Centre's other current funders (listed in our financial report) and other organisations who have supported its work over the past 12 months.

6.7 The Board of Trustees appreciates the support given to it through other means including the contribution of Simon Healey from Durham Association of Boys and Girls Clubs, Jon Niblo and Gemma Lockyer Turnbull from NE YOUTH.

6.8 The Board of Trustees wishes to acknowledge the support given to it by Durham County Council, particularly that given by our two local County Councillors, Joanne Howey and Cathy Hunt.

6.9 Finally, the Board of Trustees wishes to thank and recognise the hard work of both Debbie Richardson and Anne Ramshaw for overseeing the delivery of the crisis intervention work, across at the Church, which is funded by the National Lottery Community Fund.

Company Registration Number: 5772054
Charity Registration Number: 1118157

Auckland Youth and Community Centre Limited

Financial Statements

For the Year Ending

31 March 2024

JANE ASCROFT ACCOUNTANCY LIMITED
Chartered Accountants
Enterprise House
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Barnard Castle
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DL12 8XT

Auckland Youth and Community Centre Limited

Financial Statements

Year Ended 31 March 2024

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Auckland Youth and Community Centre Limited

Trustees' Annual Report (Incorporating the Director's Report)

Year Ended 31 March 2024

The trustees, who are also the directors for the purposes of company law, present their report and the unaudited financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2024.

Objectives and Activities

The objectives for which the charity is established are:-

1) To maintain and manage the building in furtherance of the objectives;
2) To promote the benefit of the inhabitants of Bishop Auckland, primarily residents of Woodhouse Close Estate without distinction of sex, sexual orientation, race or of political, religious or other opinions, by associating together the said inhabitants and the local authorities, voluntary and other organisations in a common effort to advance education and to provide facilities in the interest of social welfare, with the objective of improving the conditions of life for the said inhabitants, and 3) To promote such other charitable purposes as may from time to time be determined.

The Centre aims to:-

1) Improve the conditions of life for the inhabitants of Woodhouse Close Estate and the surrounding area.
2) Seek funding to maintain staff to develop the centre and its objectives.
3) Initiate activities and facilities to meet the needs of the Centre's users and the wider community.
4) Work in partnership with other agencies, groups and organisations to further the aims.
5) Encourage participation from members of the community to become actively involved in the management and the running of the Centre.
6) Promote the benefit of the community of Woodhouse Close residents by associating together volunteers and organisations in a common effort to improve the quality.

Achievements and Performance

Services in the Centre, on the Woodhouse Close estate and in the wider Bishop Auckland area continue to be delivered by qualified and committed staff employed by Auckland Youth and Community Centre Limited. The main activities during the reporting period will be reported at the Annual Meeting of the directors on 4th July 2024.

Financial Review

Reserves Policy

The aim of the Trustees is to retain unrestricted "free" reserves equivalent to between 3 and 6 months' Centre running costs excluding depreciation and exceptional costs. At current activity levels this is equal to between £15,000 and £30,000. Unrestricted "free" reserves at 31st March 2024 were £20,950 which is within this range.

Investment Policy

Monies not required for immediate use are placed in High Interest Business Accounts. There are no other investments.

Risk Management

The major risks identified by the trustees have been reviewed and systems established to mitigate those risks.

Structure, Governance and Management

Legal Status

Auckland Youth and Community Centre is a charitable company. It was incorporated on 6th April 2006 with company number 5772054. It was registered as a charity on 28th February 2007 with charity number 1118157. It is governed by its memorandum and articles of association dated 6th April 2006 and amended 30th January 2007.

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Recruitment and Appointment of Trustees

Trustees are made up from residents of the area of benefit known as Woodhouse Close or surrounding area of Bishop Auckland and those with a common interest of the Centre and area.

A trustee is a person proposed by either themselves or another and appointed or elected at an Annual General Meeting, whatever his/her age as long as they are a member of the Centre.

Organisational Structure
The Board of Trustees has overall responsibility for meeting the organisation's legal duties, ensuring that it is properly managed, promoting good practice in all activities and ensuring the quality of all services delivered.

The overall responsibility for the management of the Centre sits with the Board of Trustees. On a day-to-day basis the Delivery Manager on conjunction with the Centre Administrator will risk assess and identify any health and safety issues. Any such issues are recorded on a Centre Management Log Form. All forms are processed through the Centre Administrator who will initially discuss with one of the two managers and thereafter a nominated member of the Board of Trustees.

The trustees have had regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit throughout the year when deciding on the activities of the charity.

Reference and Administrative Details

Registered charity name	Auckland Youth and Community Centre Limited	
Charity registration number	1118157	
Company registration number	5772054	
Principal office and registered office	Walker Drive Bishop Auckland County Durham DL14 6QL	
The Trustees		
	Mr W W Niblo (Chair)	
	Miss N Kipling	
	Mr G Tomaszko	
	Ms J Drygas	
	Mrs M Carrick	
	Mr S Watson	
	Ms T Cooke	(Retired 2 November 2023)
	Mrs N Tomaszko	(Appointed 2 November 2023)
Company Secretary	Miss N Kipling	
Independent Examiner	Jane Ascroft FCA MA (Cantab) Enterprise House Harmire Enterprise Park Barnard Castle County Durham DL12 8XT	

Small Company Provisions

This report has been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies entitled to the small companies exemption.

Auckland Youth and Community Centre Limited

Trustees' Annual Report (Incorporating the Director's Report) ***(continued)***

Year Ended 31 March 2024

The trustees' annual report was approved on 25.4.2024 and signed on behalf of the board of trustees by:

Nadine Kipling

Miss N Kipling
Trustee

Auckland Youth and Community Centre Limited

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Auckland Youth and Community Centre Limited

Year Ended 31 March 2024

I report to the trustees on my examination of the financial statements of Auckland Youth and Community Centre Limited ('the charity') for the year ended 31 March 2024.

Responsibilities and Basis of Report

As the trustees of the company (and also its directors for the purposes of company law) you are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements 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 the 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 the charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 your examiner must be a member of a body listed in section 145 of the 2011 Act. I confirm that I am qualified to undertake the examination because I am a member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales (ICAEW), 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 charity as required by section 386 of the 2006 Act; or

2. the financial statements do not accord with those records; or

3. the financial statements 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 financial statements 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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Auckland Youth and Community Centre Limited

Statement of Financial Activities
(including income and expenditure account)

Year Ended 31 March 2024

	Note	2024 Unrestricted funds £	2024 Restricted funds £	2024 Total funds £	2023 Total funds £
Income and endowments					
Donations and legacies	**5**	24,012	375,672	**399,684**	458,839
Charitable activities	**6**	10,322	7,764	**18,086**	43,700
Income from investments	**7**	911	–	**911**	165
Other income	**8**	5,000	5,441	**10,441**	5,000
Total income		40,245	388,877	**429,122**	507,704
Expenditure					
Expenditure on charitable activities	**9,10**	78,552	382,647	**461,199**	433,971
Total expenditure		78,552	382,647	**461,199**	433,971
Net (expenditure)/income		(38,307)	6,230	**(32,077)**	73,733
Transfers between funds		27,329	(27,329)	–	–
Net movement in funds		(10,978)	(21,099)	**(32,077)**	73,733
Reconciliation of funds					
Total funds brought forward		117,863	203,581	**321,444**	247,711
Total funds carried forward		106,885	182,482	**289,367**	321,444

The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year.
All income and expenditure derive from continuing activities.

The notes on pages 9 to 28 form part of these financial statements.

Auckland Youth and Community Centre Limited

Statement of Financial Position

31 March 2024

	Note	2024 £	£	2023 £
Fixed Assets				
Tangible fixed assets	**16**		**48,994**	34,822
Current Assets				
Debtors	**17**	**4,714**		4,594
Cash at bank and in hand		**244,419**		285,920
		249,133		290,514
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	**18**	**8,760**		3,892
Net Current Assets			**240,373**	286,622
Total Assets Less Current Liabilities			**289,367**	321,444
Funds of the Charity				
Restricted funds			**182,482**	203,581
Unrestricted funds			**106,885**	117,863
Total charity funds	**20**		**289,367**	321,444

For the year ending 31 March 2024 the charity was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

Directors' responsibilities:

- The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year in question in accordance with section 476;
- The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and the preparation of financial statements.

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

These financial statements were approved by the board of trustees and authorised for issue on ..25.4.2024.. and are signed on behalf of the board by:

W. Niblo

Mr W W Niblo (Chair)
Trustee

The notes on pages 9 to 28 form part of these financial statements.

Auckland Youth and Community Centre Limited

Statement of Cash Flows

Year Ended 31 March 2024

	2024 £	2023 £
Cash Flows from Operating Activities		
Net (expenditure)/income	**(32,077)**	73,733
Adjustments for:		
Depreciation of tangible fixed assets	**4,769**	4,175
Other interest receivable and similar income	**(911)**	(165)
Changes in:		
Trade and other debtors	**(120)**	(143)
Trade and other creditors	**4,868**	(8,711)
Cash generated from operations	**(23,471)**	68,889
Interest received	**911**	165
Net cash (used in)/from operating activities	**(22,560)**	69,054
Cash Flows from Investing Activities		
Purchase of tangible assets	**(18,941)**	–
Net cash used in investing activities	**(18,941)**	–
Net (Decrease)/Increase in Cash and Cash Equivalents	**(41,501)**	69,054
Cash and Cash Equivalents at Beginning of Year	**285,920**	216,866
Cash and Cash Equivalents at End of Year	**244,419**	285,920

The notes on pages 9 to 28 form part of these financial statements.

Auckland Youth and Community Centre Limited

Notes to the Financial Statements

Year Ended 31 March 2024

1. General Information

The charity is a public benefit entity and a private company limited by guarantee, registered in England and Wales and a registered charity in England and Wales. The address of the registered office is Walker Drive, Bishop Auckland, County Durham, DL14 6QL.

2. Statement of Compliance

These financial statements have been prepared in compliance with FRS 102, 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and the Republic of Ireland', the 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) (Charities SORP (FRS 102)) and the Companies Act 2006.

3. Accounting Policies

Basis of Preparation

The financial statements have been prepared on the historical cost basis, as modified by the revaluation of certain financial assets and liabilities and investments measured at fair value through income or expenditure.

The financial statements are prepared in sterling, which is the functional currency of the entity.

The entity is a Public Benefit Entity.

Going Concern

There are no material uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue.

Judgements and Key Sources of Estimation Uncertainty

The preparation of the financial statements requires management to make judgements, estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts reported. These estimates and judgements are continually reviewed and are based on experience and other factors, including expectations of future events that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances. The trustees consider that there are no significant estimates or judgements affecting these financial statements.

Fund Accounting

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of the purposes of the charity.

Designated funds are unrestricted funds earmarked by the trustees for specific purposes.

Restricted funds are subjected to restrictions on their expenditure imposed by the donor.

3. Accounting Policies *(continued)*

Income

All income is included in the statement of financial activities when the charity is entitled to the income, any performance related conditions attached have been met or are fully within the control of the charity, the income is considered probable and the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy. The following specific policies are applied to particular categories of income:

Donations and legacy income is received by way of donations, legacies, grants and gifts and is included in full in the Statement of Financial Activities when receivable. Where legacies have been notified to the charity but the criteria for income recognition have not been met, the legacy is treated as a contingent asset and disclosed if material. Grants, where entitlement is not conditional on the delivery of a specific performance by the charity, are recognised when the charity becomes unconditionally entitled to the grant.

Donated services and facilities are included at the value to the charity, being the amount the charity would have been willing to pay to obtain services or facilities of equivalent economic benefit on the open market.

Investment income is included when receivable.

Income from charitable trading activity is accounted for when earned.

Income from grants, where related to performance and specific deliverables, are accounted for as the charity earns the right to consideration by its performance.

Expenditure

Expenditure is recognised on an accruals basis as a liability is incurred. Expenditure includes any VAT which cannot be fully recovered, and is reported as part of the expenditure to which it relates:

Costs of raising funds comprise the costs associated with attracting donations, grants and legacies and the costs of trading for fundraising purposes.

Charitable expenditure comprises those costs incurred by the charity in the delivery of its activities and services for its beneficiaries. It includes both costs that can be allocated directly to such activities and those costs of an indirect nature necessary to support them.

Other expenditure includes all expenditure that is neither related to raising funds for the charity nor part of its expenditure on charitable activities.

All costs are allocated between the expenditure categories of the SOFA on a basis designed to reflect the use of the resource. Costs relating to a particular activity are allocated directly, others are apportioned on an appropriate basis, as set out in the notes to the accounts.

Tangible Assets

Fixed assets are stated at cost less accumulated depreciation. The costs of minor additions or those costing below £500 are not capitalised.

3. Accounting Policies *(continued)*

Depreciation

Depreciation is calculated so as to write off the cost or valuation of an asset, less its residual value, over the useful economic life of that asset as follows:

Leasehold Property	-	Straight line over the lease term
Equipment	-	15% reducing balance

Impairment of Fixed Assets

A review for indicators of impairment is carried out at each reporting date, with the recoverable amount being estimated where such indicators exist. Where the carrying value exceeds the recoverable amount, the asset is impaired accordingly. Prior impairments are also reviewed for possible reversal at each reporting date.

For the purposes of impairment testing, when it is not possible to estimate the recoverable amount of an individual asset, an estimate is made of the recoverable amount of the cash-generating unit to which the asset belongs. The cash-generating unit is the smallest identifiable group of assets that includes the asset and generates cash inflows that largely independent of the cash inflows from other assets or groups of assets.

For impairment testing of goodwill, the goodwill acquired in a business combination is, from the acquisition date, allocated to each of the cash-generating units that are expected to benefit from the synergies of the combination, irrespective of whether other assets or liabilities of the charity are assigned to those units.

Financial Instruments

The charity only has financial assets and liabilities of a kind that qualify as basic financial instruments. Basic financial instruments are initially recognised at transaction value and subsequently measured at their settlement value.

Defined Contribution Plans

Contributions to defined contribution plans are recognised as an expense in the period in which the related service is provided. Prepaid contributions are recognised as an asset to the extent that the prepayment will lead to a reduction in future payments or a cash refund.

When contributions are not expected to be settled wholly within 12 months of the end of the reporting date in which the employees render the related service, the liability is measured on a discounted present value basis. The unwinding of the discount is recognised as an expense in the period in which it arises.

Debtors

Trade and other debtors are recognised at the settlement amount due after any trade discount offered. Prepayments are valued at the amount prepaid net of any trade discounts due.

Accrued income and tax recoverable is included at the best estimate of the amounts receivable at the balance sheet date.

Cash at Bank and in Hand

Cash at bank and cash in hand includes cash and short term highly liquid investments with a short maturity of three months or less from the date of acquisition or opening of the deposit or similar account.

Creditors

Creditors are recognised where the charity has a present obligation resulting from a past event that will probably result in the transfer of funds to a third party and the amount due to settle the obligation can be measured or estimated reliably. Creditors are normally recognised at their settlement amount after allowing for any trade discounts due.

Taxation

The company is considered to pass the tests set out in Paragraph 1 Schedule 6 of the Finance Act 2010 and therefore it meets the definition of a charitable company for UK corporation tax purposes. Accordingly, the company is potentially exempt from taxation in respect of income or capital gains received within categories covered by Chapter 3 Part 11 of the Corporation Tax Act 2010 or Section 256 of the taxation of Chargeable Gains Act 1992, to the extent that such income or gains are applied exclusively to charitable purposes.

4. Limited by Guarantee

The company is limited by guarantee. At 31st March 2024 there were 7 members each of whom had undertaken to contribute an amount not exceeding £1 in the event of a winding up.

5. Donations and Legacies

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	**Total Funds 2024 £**
Donations			
Donations	309	–	**309**
Fundraising	903	–	**903**

5. Donations and Legacies *(continued)*

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	**Total Funds 2024 £**
Grants			
Bishop Auckland & Shildon Area Action Partnership	–	14,707	**14,707**
Henry Smith Charity	–	60,000	**60,000**
National Lottery Community Fund	–	111,968	**111,968**
Garfield Weston	–	25,000	**25,000**
County Durham Community Foundation	500	21,500	**22,000**
Neighbourhood budget	12,500	–	**12,500**
Teesdale Stronger Together Youth Collective	–	13,593	**13,593**
Happiness Hub Fund	–	7,436	**7,436**
Gaunless Gateway Big Local	–	55,405	**55,405**
Durham County Council	6,000	–	**6,000**
Community Foundation Tyne & Wear and Northumberland - 1989 Willan Charitable trust	–	10,000	**10,000**
Virgin Community Anchors Fund	–	10,000	**10,000**
Other grants	3,800	26,063	**29,863**
Scotto Charitable Trust	–	10,000	**10,000**
Locality	–	10,000	**10,000**
	24,012	375,672	**399,684**

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2023 £
Donations			
Donations	888	–	888
Fundraising	4,076	–	4,076

5. Donations and Legacies *(continued)*

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2023 £
Grants			
Bishop Auckland & Shildon Area Action Partnership	–	89,228	89,228
Henry Smith Charity	–	60,000	60,000
National Lottery Community Fund	–	93,605	93,605
Garfield Weston	–	25,000	25,000
County Durham Community Foundation	–	9,000	9,000
Happiness Hub Fund	–	7,344	7,344
Durham County Council	1,000	–	1,000
NE Youth (Kickstart)	2,404	–	2,404
South Durham Enterprise Agency (Gaunless Gateway Big Local)	–	73,782	73,782
Shildon Youth Initiative	–	14,000	14,000
The Youth Endowment Fund	–	10,151	10,151
Virgin Community Anchors Fund	–	15,000	15,000
West Auckland Youth Initiative	–	6,761	6,761
Community Foundation Tyne & Wear and Northumberland - Volunteering Project Fund	–	15,000	15,000
Other grants	–	16,600	16,600
Ballinger Trust	–	10,000	10,000
Co Durham Sport Together Fund	–	5,000	5,000
	8,368	450,471	458,839

The majority of income from the Gaunless Gateway Big Local (£55,405) and Henknowle (£6,007) is paid out on salaries on behalf of their party organisations with only a small amount retained as a management charge.

6. Charitable Activities

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	**Total Funds 2024 £**
Room hire	3,970	–	**3,970**
Other Centre income	1,075	–	**1,075**
After Schools	1,650	–	**1,650**
Challenge and Support Project	2,496	–	**2,496**
Disability Group	80	–	**80**
Henknowle	–	6,007	**6,007**
West Auckland Youth Initiative	–	1,757	**1,757**
Other project income	1,051	–	**1,051**
	10,322	7,764	**18,086**

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2023 £
Room hire	4,788	–	4,788
Other Centre income	2,612	–	2,612
After Schools	693	13,000	13,693
Challenge and Support Project	1,892	–	1,892
Playbus	–	10,000	10,000
Disability Group	120	2,000	2,120
Henknowle	–	5,539	5,539
West Auckland Youth Initiative	–	2,466	2,466
Other project income	509	81	590
	10,614	33,086	43,700

7. Income from Investments

	Unrestricted Funds £	**Total Funds 2024 £**	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2023 £
Bank interest receivable	911	**911**	165	165

8. Other Income

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	**Total Funds 2024 £**
Employment allowance	5,000	–	**5,000**
Secondment income	–	5,441	**5,441**
	5,000	5,441	**10,441**

8. Other Income *(continued)*

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2023 £
Employment allowance	5,000	–	5,000
Secondment income	–	–	–
	5,000	–	5,000

9. Expenditure on Charitable Activities by Fund Type

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	**Total Funds 2024 £**
Centre costs	68,682	–	**68,682**
Playbus	–	9,022	**9,022**
Garfield Weston	–	28,500	**28,500**
Gaunless Gateway Big Local	–	62,146	**62,146**
Henry Smith Strengthening Communities	–	60,000	**60,000**
After Schools	4,884	9,200	**14,084**
National Lottery Community Fund - Building Community Resilience	–	75,744	**75,744**
Holiday Activities	–	15,990	**15,990**
West Auckland Youth Initiative	–	20,475	**20,475**
Shildon Youth Initiative	–	7,764	**7,764**
AAP Delivery Manager Fund	–	21,715	**21,715**
Henknowle	–	6,007	**6,007**
CFTWN Volunteering Project Fund	–	18,052	**18,052**
CFTWN 1989 Willan Charitable trust	–	10,000	**10,000**
CDCF Joy Allen DP&CC CS Fund	–	3,474	**3,474**
NLCF Know Your Neighbourhood Fund	–	11,239	**11,239**
Virgin Community Anchors Fund	–	4,000	**4,000**
Other project costs	4,986	19,319	**24,305**
	78,552	382,647	**461,199**

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2023 £
Centre costs	48,679	–	48,679
Playbus	–	5,548	5,548
National Lottery Community Fund - Widening Horizons	–	64,445	64,445
Gaunless Gateway Big Local	–	53,985	53,985
Henry Smith Strengthening Communities	–	70,062	70,062
After Schools	4,242	13,000	17,242
National Lottery Community Fund - Building Community Resilience	–	22,465	22,465
National Lottery Community Fund - Awards For All	–	9,290	9,290
The Youth Endowment Fund	–	7,314	7,314
Holiday Activities	–	28,708	28,708
West Auckland Youth Initiative	–	11,066	11,066
Shildon Youth Initiative	–	5,150	5,150
AAP Delivery Manager Fund	–	–	–
NE Youth Alliance	–	5,000	5,000
Henknowle	–	5,539	5,539
CFTWN Volunteering Project Fund	–	11,949	11,949
CFTWN 1989 Willan Charitable trust	–	9,229	9,229
AAP Detached/AYCC Youth Work	8,520	4,530	13,050
CDCF Joy Allen DP&CC CS Fund	–	4,026	4,026
Virgin Community Anchors Fund	–	9,077	9,077
Other project costs	11,436	20,711	32,147
	72,877	361,094	433,971

10. Expenditure on Charitable Activities by Activity Type

	Activities undertaken directly £	**Total funds 2024 £**	Total fund 2023 £
Centre costs	68,682	**68,682**	48,679
Playbus	9,022	**9,022**	5,548
Garfield Weston	28,500	**28,500**	–
National Lottery Community Fund - Widening Horizons	–	**–**	64,445
Gaunless Gateway Big Local	62,146	**62,146**	53,985
Henry Smith Strengthening Communities	60,000	**60,000**	70,062
After Schools	14,084	**14,084**	17,242
National Lottery Community Fund - Building Community Resilience	75,744	**75,744**	22,465
National Lottery Community Fund - Awards For All	–	**–**	9,290
The Youth Endowment Fund	–	**–**	7,314
Holiday Activities	15,990	**15,990**	28,708
West Auckland Youth Initiative	20,475	**20,475**	11,066
Shildon Youth Initiative	7,764	**7,764**	5,150

AAP Delivery Manager Fund	21,715	**21,715**	–
NE Youth Alliance	–	**–**	5,000
Henknowle	6,007	**6,007**	5,539
CFTWN Volunteering Project Fund	18,052	**18,052**	11,949
CFTWN 1989 Willan Charitable trust	10,000	**10,000**	9,229
AAP Detached/AYCC Youth Work	–	**–**	13,050
CDCF Joy Allen DP&CC CS Fund	3,474	**3,474**	4,026
NLCF Know Your Neighbourhood Fund	11,239	**11,239**	–
Virgin Community Anchors Fund	4,000	**4,000**	9,077
Other project costs	24,305	**24,305**	32,147
	461,199	**461,199**	433,971

11. Net (Expenditure)/Income

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

	2024	2023
	£	£
Depreciation of tangible fixed assets	**4,769**	4,175

12. Independent Examination Fees

	2024	2023
	£	£
Fees payable to the independent examiner for:		
Independent examination of the financial statements	**840**	756

13. Staff Costs and Emoluments

The total staff costs and employee benefits for the reporting period are analysed as follows:

	2024	2023
	£	£
Wages and salaries	**295,010**	270,199
Social security costs	**22,730**	19,818
Employer contributions to pension plans	**6,348**	5,195
	324,088	295,212

The average head count of employees during the year was 15 (2023: 22). The average number of full-time equivalent employees during the year is analysed as follows:

	2024	2023
	No.	No.
Number of management staff	**3**	3
Number of Centre staff	**2**	2
Number of project staff	**10**	7
	15	12

No employee received employee benefits of more than £60,000 during the year (2023: Nil).

13. Staff Costs and Emoluments *(continued)*

Key Management Personnel
Key management personnel include all persons that have authority and responsibility for planning, directing and controlling the activities of the charity. The total compensation paid to key management personnel for services provided to the charity was £45,188 (2023:£56,664).

14. Trustee Remuneration and Expenses

No trustees received remuneration during the year (2023 - Nil).

During the year 2 trustees were reimbursed expenses totalling £1,729 (2023 - 1 trustee received a total of £992).

15. Transfers Between Funds

During the year £27,329 was transferred from restricted to unrestricted funds. This comprised:

	2024 £
Centre cost contributions from projects	**31,796**
Contribution to AYCC Know Your Neighbourhood fund from reserves	**(11,140)**
Room hire paid by projects	**7,090**
Payroll fees paid by projects	**543**
Contribution to building Community Resilience from reserves	**(1,000)**
Other transfers	**40**
	27,329

16. Tangible Fixed Assets

	Long leasehold property £	Equipment £	**Total** **£**
Cost			
At 1 April 2023	77,165	88,583	**165,748**
Additions	18,941	–	**18,941**
At 31 March 2024	96,106	88,583	**184,689**
Depreciation			
At 1 April 2023	48,511	82,415	**130,926**
Charge for the year	3,844	925	**4,769**
At 31 March 2024	52,355	83,340	**135,695**
Carrying amount			
At 31 March 2024	43,751	5,243	**48,994**
At 31 March 2023	28,654	6,168	34,822

17. Debtors

	2024	2023
	£	£
Trade debtors	308	65
Prepayments and accrued income	4,406	4,529
	4,714	4,594

18. Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2024	2023
	£	£
Creditors and accruals	8,760	3,892

19. Pensions and Other Post Retirement Benefits

Defined contribution plans

The amount recognised in income or expenditure as an expense in relation to defined contribution plans was £6,348 (2023: £5,195).

20. Analysis of Charitable Funds

Unrestricted funds

	At 1 April 2023	Income	Expenditure	Transfers	At 31 March 2024
	£	£	£	£	£
General Fund	42,682	34,965	(61,457)	4,760	**20,950**
Capital Fund	34,822	–	(4,769)	18,941	**48,994**
Redundancy Fund	21,903	–	–	3,588	**25,491**
Disability Group	4,105	80	(2,412)	(1,773)	**–**
After Schools	4,391	1,650	(4,884)	–	**1,157**
Challenge & Support Group	4,917	2,496	(1,921)	1,773	**7,265**
AYCC Training	3,649	–	(2,696)	–	**953**
Craft & Support Project	1,394	321	(391)	–	**1,324**
Detached youth Work	–	–	–	–	**–**
Man Cave Project	–	331	(2)	40	**369**
Stay n Eat	–	203	–	–	**203**
Toddlers	–	199	(20)	–	**179**
	117,863	40,245	(78,552)	27,329	**106,885**

	At 1 April 2022	Income	Expenditure	Transfers	At 31 March 2023
	£	£	£	£	£
General Fund	23,740	20,933	(44,504)	42,513	42,682
Capital Fund	38,997	–	(4,175)	–	34,822
Redundancy Fund	21,453	–	–	450	21,903
Disability Group	5,058	120	(1,073)	–	4,105
After Schools	7,037	693	(4,241)	902	4,391
Challenge & Support Group	10,245	1,892	(7,285)	65	4,917
Girls' Friendly Society	65	–	–	(65)	–
Stay 'n' Play	902	–	–	(902)	–
AYCC Training	5,750	–	(2,101)	–	3,649
Craft & Support Project	1,550	509	(978)	313	1,394
Detached youth Work	6,134	–	(8,520)	2,386	–
Man Cave Project	–	–	–	–	–
Pick N Mix group	313	–	–	(313)	–
	121,244	24,147	(72,877)	45,349	117,863

Designated funds are for the following purposes:

After Schools - This fund comprises fee income from participants in the After Schools Club, and it is to be spent on After Schools provision.

Challenge & Support Project - This fund comprises fee income from participants in the Challenge & Support Project and it is to be spent on the same.

Craft & Support Project - This fund comprises fee income from participants in the Craft & Support Project and it is to be spent on the same.

Disability Group - This fund comprises fee income from participants in the Disability Group and it is to be spent on the same.

Man Cave Group - This fund comprises fee income from participants in the Man Cave Group and it is to be spent on the same.

Stay & Eat Project - This fund comprises fee income from users of the Stay & Eat Project and it is to be spent on the same.

Toddlers Group - This fund comprises fee income from participants in the Toddlers Group and it is to be spent on the same.

Contingency Fund - This fund comprises money set aside for redundancies.

Training Fund - This fund comprises money set aside for training for staff, volunteers and trustees.

Capital - This fund contains all the fixed assets.

Restricted funds

	At 1 April 2023 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfers £	At 31 March 2024 £
AYCC Delivery Manager Fund	–	14,113	–	–	**14,113**
AYCC Know Your Neighbourhood Fund	–	–	–	11,140	**11,140**
Bishop Auckland Town Council	–	4,450	(3,800)	–	**650**
CDCF After Schools Club	–	5,000	(4,700)	(300)	–
CDCF AYCC Warm Spaces	–	3,000	(2,550)	(450)	–
CDCF Going Green Together	–	3,500	(240)	–	**3,260**
CDCF Poverty Hurts	–	10,000	(1,051)	(1,544)	**7,405**
Happiness Hub Fund (Stay & Eat)	–	7,436	(1,235)	–	**6,201**
Locality - Cost of Living Grant Programme	–	10,000	–	(10,000)	–
Masonic Charitable Foundation	–	5,000	(1,026)	–	**3,974**
NLCF Know Your Neighbourhood Fund	–	30,000	(11,239)	–	**18,761**
Henknowle	–	6,007	(6,007)	–	–
Playbus	9,022	–	(9,022)	–	–
Henry Smith Charity - Strengthening Communities	–	60,000	(60,000)	–	–
BASH AAP Holiday Activities Fund	1,283	14,707	(15,990)	–	–
Scotto Trust	–	10,000	(2,455)	–	**7,545**
WAYI Gaunless Gateway	3,765	–	(3,765)	–	–
NE Youth	–	–	–	–	–
Scholefield Trust	190	–	(190)	–	–
Garfield Weston	3,500	25,000	(28,500)	–	–
Gaunless Gateway Big Local	38,082	60,846	(62,146)	(11,932)	**24,850**

20. Analysis of Charitable Funds *(continued)*

British & Foreign Schools Society	–	2,500	(1,026)	–	**1,474**
Community Foundation Tyne & Wear and Northumberland - 1989 Willan Charitable Trust	–	10,000	(10,000)	–	–
Community Foundation Tyne & Wear and Northumberland - Volunteering Project Fund	18,051	–	(18,051)	–	–
Virgin Community Anchors Fund	3,000	10,000	(4,000)	(9,000)	–
AYCC Building Community Resilience	13,000	–	–	1,000	**14,000**
AAP Delivery Manager Fund	55,998	–	(21,715)	–	**34,283**
Ballinger Charitable Trust	10,000	–	(893)	–	**9,107**
CDCF Joy Allen DP&CC CS Fund	3,474	–	(3,474)	–	–
Co Durham Sport Together Fund	5,000	–	–	(5,000)	–
Happiness Hub Fund	4,854	–	(4,854)	–	–
NLCF Building Community Resilience	17,996	81,968	(75,744)	–	**24,220**
Netherton Park Trust	5,000	–	(4,500)	(500)	–
Shildon Youth Initiative	8,307	–	(7,764)	(543)	–
WAYI General Fund	1,514	1,757	(2,089)	(160)	**1,022**
WAYI Teesdale STYC	1,505	13,593	(14,621)	–	**477**
Men Cave Project	40	–	–	(40)	–
	203,581	388,877	(382,647)	(27,329)	**182,482**

20. Analysis of Charitable Funds *(continued)*

	At 1 April 2022 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfers £	At 31 March 2023 £
NLCF Widening Horizons	14,302	53,145	(64,447)	(3,000)	–
Bishop Auckland & Shildon AAP Detached Youth Work	4,530	–	(4,530)	–	–
Henknowle	–	5,539	(5,539)	–	–
Playbus	4,570	10,000	(5,548)	–	9,022
Henry Smith Charity - Covid 19	11,902	–	(11,902)	–	–
Henry Smith Charity - Strengthening Communities	–	60,000	(58,160)	(1,840)	–
National Lottery Awards For All	9,290	–	(9,290)	–	–
BASH AAP Holiday Activities Fund	–	29,990	(28,707)	–	1,283
Scotto Trust	–	–	–	–	–
WAYI Gaunless Gateway	9,081	577	(5,434)	(459)	3,765
NE Youth	–	5,000	(5,000)	–	–
Scholefield Trust	–	600	(410)	–	190
Garfield Weston	–	25,000	(1,750)	(19,750)	3,500
Gaunless Gateway Big Local	35,255	73,322	(53,983)	(16,512)	38,082
AYCC Satellite Project No. 3	740	–	–	(740)	–
AYCC Shildon Satellite Project	1,646	–	–	(1,646)	–
British & Foreign Schools Society	–	2,500	(2,500)	–	–
CDCF CG funding programme	5,000	–	(750)	(4,250)	–
CDCF Storm Arwen grant	1,000	–	–	(1,000)	–
Community Foundation Tyne & Wear and Northumberland - 1989 Willan Charitable Trust	10,000	–	(9,230)	(770)	–
Community Foundation Tyne & Wear and Northumberland - Newcastle Building Society	3,000	–	(3,000)	–	–
Community Foundation Tyne & Wear and Northumberland - Volunteering Project Fund	15,000	15,000	(11,949)	–	18,051
Durham Youth Conferences grant	–	2,000	(1,072)	(928)	–
Virgin Community Anchors Fund	–	15,000	(9,077)	(2,923)	3,000

20. Analysis of Charitable Funds *(continued)*

Youth Focus NE (The Youth Endowment Fund)	1,151	10,151	(7,314)	(3,988)	–
AYCC Building Community Resilience	–	–	–	13,000	13,000
AAP Delivery Manager Fund	–	59,238	(3,240)	–	55,998
Ballinger Charitable Trust	–	10,000	–	–	10,000
CDCF Joy Allen DP&CC CS Fund	–	7,500	(4,026)	–	3,474
CDCF Warm Spaces	–	1,500	(1,500)	–	–
CFTWN NBS Queen's Platinum Jubilee	–	1,500	(1,500)	–	–
Co Durham Sport Together Fund	–	5,000	–	–	5,000
Happiness Hub Fund	–	7,344	(2,490)	–	4,854
NLCF Building Community Resilience	–	40,460	(22,464)	–	17,996
Netherton Park Trust	–	5,000	–	–	5,000
Shildon Youth Initiative	–	14,000	(5,150)	(543)	8,307
WAYI General Fund	–	1,890	(376)	–	1,514
WAYI Teesdale STYC	–	6,761	(5,256)	–	1,505
Masonic Charitable Foundation	–	5,000	(5,000)	–	–
Barbour Foundation	–	10,000	(10,000)	–	–
Craft & Support Project	–	500	(500)	–	–
Men Cave Project	–	40	–	–	40
	126,467	483,557	(361,094)	(45,349)	203,581

20. Analysis of Charitable Funds *(continued)*

The restricted funds are for the following purposes:

AYCC Building Community Resilience - This fund is match funding from Centre Reserves for National Lottery Community Fund Building Community Resilience Project.

AYCC Delivery Manager Fund - This fund is towards costs for the Delivery Manager Post.

AYCC Know Your Neighbourhood Fund - This fund is match funding from Centre Reserves for National Lottery Community Know Your Neighbourhood Fund Project.

BASH AAP (Delivery Manager Fund) - Funding for the Delivery Manager Post for National Lottery Community Fund Building Community Resilience Project.

Ballinger Charitable Trust - This grant is to extend our delivery program in West Auckland.

Bishop Auckland Town Council - Funds throughout the financial year have been received towards the coronation event, winter wonderland activity, provide theatre tickets for local families, International Women's Day and for Easter activities.

British & Foreign Schools Society (After Schools) - This grant is towards running costs for the After Schools Project.

County Durham Community Foundation (Community Grants Funding Programme Grant) - This grant was towards running costs for the After Schools Project.

County Durham Community Foundation (AYCC Welcome Spaces Grant) - This grant is used to provide a warm and comfortable place for residents of Woodhouse Close Estate to attend.

County Durham Community Foundation (Going Green Together Grant) - This grant is being used to make the centre a greener organisation by increasing energy efficiency and reducing the centre's carbon footprint.

County Durham Community Foundation (Police, Crime & Victims' Commissioner (PCVC) Community Safety Fund) - This grant was towards a detached youth work project across Woodhouse Close Estate, specifically targeting young people who are not currently engaging in services.

County Durham Community Foundation (Poverty Hurt Grant) - This grant is towards to address the ongoing need to tackle severe local poverty and disadvantage in the local area.

Community Foundation Tyne & Wear and Northumberland (The 1989 Willan Charitable Trust Grant) - This grant was towards running costs for the After Schools Project and multisport sessions.

Community Fund Tyne & Wear and Northumberland (Volunteering Project Grant) - This grant was for a Volunteer Coordinator to work with volunteers to improve their skills and the work of the organisation.

County Durham Sport Together Fund - This grant was to provide subsidies for rental of premises for sporting activities.

Garfield Weston Foundation - This grant was towards core running costs for the organisation.

Gaunless Gateway (Big Local Partnership Agreement) - This grant is to allow AYCC to employee two workers from the Gaunless Gateway Big Local Partnership.

20. Analysis of Charitable Funds *(continued)*

Happiness Hub Fund (Man Cave Group) - This grant funded the Men's Group health and wellbeing and activities.

Happiness Hub Fund (Stay & Eat) - This grant is towards staffing costs, activities costs, running costs and food and refreshments. The grant will help beneficiaries who are struggling with food costs.

Henry Smith Charity (Strengthening Communities Grant) - This grant is for centre core running costs, specifically contributions towards the salaries of the Administration Worker and Cleaner.

BASH AAP Holiday Activities Fund - This fund is for various grants received to support children and their families across the area to food and activity packs during school holidays periods.

Locality (Cost of Living Grant Programme) - This grant was towards core running costs for the organisation.

Masonic Charitable Foundation (After Schools) - This grant is towards staffing costs, activities costs and healthy snacks for our After Schools Project.

National Lottery Community Fund (Building Community Resilience) - This grant is to deliver the Building Community Resilience to support people living on the Woodhouse Close Estate and the surrounding area with projects and activities.

National Lottery Community Fund (Know Your Neighbourhood Fund)Th - is grant is for a Volunteer Coordinator to work with volunteers to improve their skills and the work of the organisation.

Netherton Park Trust (After Schools) - This grant is towards staffing costs, activities costs and healthy snacks for our After Schools Project.

Scholefield Trust - This grant was for activities for children and young people.

Scotto Charitable Trust - This grant is used support for the homework clubs/study groups for children and young people aged 7 years plus.

Shildon Youth Initiative - This grant was for a youth project based in Shildon.

Virgin Money Foundation Community Anchors' Fund - This grant was towards core running costs for the organisation.

West Auckland Youth Initiative Project (Gaunless Gateway Fund) - This grant was towards a youth work project across West Auckland, specifically targeting young people who are not currently engaging in services.

West Auckland Youth Initiative Project (General Fund) - This fund is towards a youth work project across West Auckland, specifically targeting young people who are not currently engaging in services.

West Auckland Youth Initiative Project (Teesdale Stronger Together Youth Collective Fund) - This grant is towards a youth work project across West Auckland, specifically targeting young people who are not currently engaging in services.

Henknowle - This fund is for the caretaker's salary at Henknowle Community Centre.

Playbus - This grant allowed us to deliver this project which was fully fitted mobile soft play area that could be used for children's activities, community events, and private parties and also be used as a tool for engagement.

21. Analysis of Net Assets Between Funds

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	**Total Funds 2024 £**
Tangible fixed assets	48,994	–	**48,994**
Current Assets	66,651	182,482	**249,133**
Creditors less than 1 year	(8,760)	–	**(8,760)**
Net assets	106,885	182,482	**289,367**

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2023 £
Tangible fixed assets	34,822	–	34,822
Current Assets	86,933	203,581	290,514
Creditors less than 1 year	(3,892)	–	(3,892)
Net assets	117,863	203,581	321,444

22. Analysis of Changes in Net Debt

	At 1 Apr 2023 £	Cash flows £	**At 31 Mar 2024 £**
Cash at bank and in hand	285,920	(41,501)	**244,419**

23. Operating Lease Commitments

The total future minimum lease payments under non-cancellable operating leases are as follows:

	2024 £	2023 £
Not later than 1 year	**4,578**	4,458
Later than 1 year and not later than 5 years	**18,312**	1,462
	22,890	5,920

Auckland Youth and Community Centre Limited

Management Information

Year Ended 31 March 2024

The Following Pages Do Not Form Part of the Financial Statements.

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Detailed Statement of Financial Activities

Year Ended 31 March 2024

	2024 £	2023 £
Income and endowments		
Donations and legacies		
Donations	**309**	888
Fundraising	**903**	4,076
Bishop Auckland & Shildon Area Action Partnership	**14,707**	89,228
Henry Smith Charity	**60,000**	60,000
National Lottery Community Fund	**111,968**	93,605
Garfield Weston	**25,000**	25,000
County Durham Community Foundation	**22,000**	9,000
Neighbourhood budget	**12,500**	–
Teesdale Stronger Together Youth Collective	**13,593**	–
Happiness Hub Fund	**7,436**	7,344
Gaunless Gateway Big Local	**55,405**	–
Durham County Council	**6,000**	1,000
NE Youth (Kickstart)	**–**	2,404
Community Foundation Tyne & Wear and Northumberland - 1989 Willan Charitable trust	**10,000**	–
South Durham Enterprise Agency (Gaunless Gateway Big Local)	**–**	73,782
Shildon Youth Initiative	**–**	14,000
The Youth Endowment Fund	**–**	10,151
Virgin Community Anchors Fund	**10,000**	15,000
West Auckland Youth Initiative	**–**	6,761
Community Foundation Tyne & Wear and Northumberland - Volunteering Project Fund	**–**	15,000
Other grants	**29,863**	16,600
Ballinger Trust	**–**	10,000
Co Durham Sport Together Fund	**–**	5,000
Scotto Charitable Trust	**10,000**	–
Locality	**10,000**	–
	399,684	458,839
Charitable activities		
Room hire	**3,970**	4,788
Other Centre income	**1,075**	2,612
After Schools	**1,650**	13,693
Challenge and Support Project	**2,496**	1,892
Playbus	**–**	10,000
Disability Group	**80**	2,120
Carried forward	**(9,271)**	(35,105)

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Detailed Statement of Financial Activities *(continued)*

Year Ended 31 March 2024

	2024 £	2023 £
Brought forward	(9,271)	(35,105)
Henknowle	**6,007**	5,539
West Auckland Youth Initiative	**1,757**	2,466
Other project income	**1,051**	590
	18,086	43,700
Income from investments		
Bank interest receivable	**911**	165
Other income		
Employment allowance	**5,000**	5,000
Secondment income	**5,441**	–
	10,441	5,000
Total income	**429,122**	507,704
Expenditure		
Wages and salaries	**295,010**	270,199
Employer's NIC	**22,730**	19,818
Pension costs	**6,348**	5,195
Premises costs	**20,482**	26,612
Office costs	**9,945**	7,711
Depreciation	**4,769**	4,175
Other costs	**90,671**	92,952
Accountancy and Independent Examination	**960**	756
Professional and consultancy fees	**10,284**	6,553
Total expenditure	**461,199**	433,971
Net (expenditure)/income	**(32,077)**	73,733

Company Registration Number: 5772054
Charity Registration Number: 1118157

Auckland Youth and Community Centre Limited

Financial Statements

For the Year Ending

31 March 2024

JANE ASCROFT ACCOUNTANCY LIMITED
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Auckland Youth and Community Centre Limited

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Auckland Youth and Community Centre Limited

Trustees' Annual Report (Incorporating the Director's Report)

Year Ended 31 March 2024

The trustees, who are also the directors for the purposes of company law, present their report and the unaudited financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2024.

Objectives and Activities

The objectives for which the charity is established are:-

1) To maintain and manage the building in furtherance of the objectives;
2) To promote the benefit of the inhabitants of Bishop Auckland, primarily residents of Woodhouse Close Estate without distinction of sex, sexual orientation, race or of political, religious or other opinions, by associating together the said inhabitants and the local authorities, voluntary and other organisations in a common effort to advance education and to provide facilities in the interest of social welfare, with the objective of improving the conditions of life for the said inhabitants, and 3) To promote such other charitable purposes as may from time to time be determined.

The Centre aims to:-

1) Improve the conditions of life for the inhabitants of Woodhouse Close Estate and the surrounding area.
2) Seek funding to maintain staff to develop the centre and its objectives.
3) Initiate activities and facilities to meet the needs of the Centre's users and the wider community.
4) Work in partnership with other agencies, groups and organisations to further the aims.
5) Encourage participation from members of the community to become actively involved in the management and the running of the Centre.
6) Promote the benefit of the community of Woodhouse Close residents by associating together volunteers and organisations in a common effort to improve the quality.

Achievements and Performance

Services in the Centre, on the Woodhouse Close estate and in the wider Bishop Auckland area continue to be delivered by qualified and committed staff employed by Auckland Youth and Community Centre Limited. The main activities during the reporting period will be reported at the Annual Meeting of the directors on 4th July 2024.

Financial Review

Reserves Policy

The aim of the Trustees is to retain unrestricted "free" reserves equivalent to between 3 and 6 months' Centre running costs excluding depreciation and exceptional costs. At current activity levels this is equal to between £15,000 and £30,000. Unrestricted "free" reserves at 31st March 2024 were £20,950 which is within this range.

Investment Policy

Monies not required for immediate use are placed in High Interest Business Accounts. There are no other investments.

Risk Management

The major risks identified by the trustees have been reviewed and systems established to mitigate those risks.

Structure, Governance and Management

Legal Status

Auckland Youth and Community Centre is a charitable company. It was incorporated on 6th April 2006 with company number 5772054. It was registered as a charity on 28th February 2007 with charity number 1118157. It is governed by its memorandum and articles of association dated 6th April 2006 and amended 30th January 2007.

Auckland Youth and Community Centre was originally built in 1962, officially opened on the 14th February 1964, as part of Central Government's development of youth facilities (particularly targeting young men) following the publication of the Lady Albemarle Report. The Centre was one of six "Boys' Clubs" in the North East of England. A sports hall extension was added in 1995, funded by the National Lottery.

Auckland Youth and Community Centre Limited is affiliated to the Durham Association of Boys and Girls Clubs, which is affiliated to UK YOUTH and NABGC (The National Association of Boys and Girls Clubs). Auckland Youth and Community Centre Limited is also affiliated to NE YOUTH which is affiliated to UK YOUTH.

Recruitment and Appointment of Trustees

Trustees are made up from residents of the area of benefit known as Woodhouse Close or surrounding area of Bishop Auckland and those with a common interest of the Centre and area.

A trustee is a person proposed by either themselves or another and appointed or elected at an Annual General Meeting, whatever his/her age as long as they are a member of the Centre.

Organisational Structure
The Board of Trustees has overall responsibility for meeting the organisation's legal duties, ensuring that it is properly managed, promoting good practice in all activities and ensuring the quality of all services delivered.

The overall responsibility for the management of the Centre sits with the Board of Trustees. On a day-to-day basis the Delivery Manager on conjunction with the Centre Administrator will risk assess and identify any health and safety issues. Any such issues are recorded on a Centre Management Log Form. All forms are processed through the Centre Administrator who will initially discuss with one of the two managers and thereafter a nominated member of the Board of Trustees.

The trustees have had regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit throughout the year when deciding on the activities of the charity.

Reference and Administrative Details

Registered charity name	Auckland Youth and Community Centre Limited	
Charity registration number	1118157	
Company registration number	5772054	
Principal office and registered office	Walker Drive Bishop Auckland County Durham DL14 6QL	
The Trustees		
	Mr W W Niblo (Chair)	
	Miss N Kipling	
	Mr G Tomaszko	
	Ms J Drygas	
	Mrs M Carrick	
	Mr S Watson	
	Ms T Cooke	(Retired 2 November 2023)
	Mrs N Tomaszko	(Appointed 2 November 2023)
Company Secretary	Miss N Kipling	
Independent Examiner	Jane Ascroft FCA MA (Cantab) Enterprise House Harmire Enterprise Park Barnard Castle County Durham DL12 8XT	

Small Company Provisions

This report has been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies entitled to the small companies exemption.

Auckland Youth and Community Centre Limited

Trustees' Annual Report (Incorporating the Director's Report) ***(continued)***

Year Ended 31 March 2024

The trustees' annual report was approved on 25.4.2024 and signed on behalf of the board of trustees by:

Nadine Kipling

Miss N Kipling
Trustee

Auckland Youth and Community Centre Limited

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Auckland Youth and Community Centre Limited

Year Ended 31 March 2024

I report to the trustees on my examination of the financial statements of Auckland Youth and Community Centre Limited ('the charity') for the year ended 31 March 2024.

Responsibilities and Basis of Report

As the trustees of the company (and also its directors for the purposes of company law) you are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements 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 the 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 the charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 your examiner must be a member of a body listed in section 145 of the 2011 Act. I confirm that I am qualified to undertake the examination because I am a member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales (ICAEW), 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 charity as required by section 386 of the 2006 Act; or

2. the financial statements do not accord with those records; or

3. the financial statements 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 financial statements 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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Jane Ascroft FCA MA (Cantab)
Independent Examiner

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Auckland Youth and Community Centre Limited

Statement of Financial Activities
(including income and expenditure account)

Year Ended 31 March 2024

	Note	2024 Unrestricted funds £	2024 Restricted funds £	2024 Total funds £	2023 Total funds £
Income and endowments					
Donations and legacies	**5**	24,012	375,672	**399,684**	458,839
Charitable activities	**6**	10,322	7,764	**18,086**	43,700
Income from investments	**7**	911	–	**911**	165
Other income	**8**	5,000	5,441	**10,441**	5,000
Total income		40,245	388,877	**429,122**	507,704
Expenditure					
Expenditure on charitable activities	**9,10**	78,552	382,647	**461,199**	433,971
Total expenditure		78,552	382,647	**461,199**	433,971
Net (expenditure)/income		(38,307)	6,230	**(32,077)**	73,733
Transfers between funds		27,329	(27,329)	–	–
Net movement in funds		(10,978)	(21,099)	**(32,077)**	73,733
Reconciliation of funds					
Total funds brought forward		117,863	203,581	**321,444**	247,711
Total funds carried forward		106,885	182,482	**289,367**	321,444

The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year.
All income and expenditure derive from continuing activities.

The notes on pages 9 to 28 form part of these financial statements.

Auckland Youth and Community Centre Limited

Statement of Financial Position

31 March 2024

	Note	2024 £	£	2023 £
Fixed Assets				
Tangible fixed assets	**16**		**48,994**	34,822
Current Assets				
Debtors	**17**	**4,714**		4,594
Cash at bank and in hand		**244,419**		285,920
		249,133		290,514
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	**18**	**8,760**		3,892
Net Current Assets			**240,373**	286,622
Total Assets Less Current Liabilities			**289,367**	321,444
Funds of the Charity				
Restricted funds			**182,482**	203,581
Unrestricted funds			**106,885**	117,863
Total charity funds	**20**		**289,367**	321,444

For the year ending 31 March 2024 the charity was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

Directors' responsibilities:

- The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year in question in accordance with section 476;
- The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and the preparation of financial statements.

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

These financial statements were approved by the board of trustees and authorised for issue on ..25.4.2024.. and are signed on behalf of the board by:

W. Niblo

Mr W W Niblo (Chair)
Trustee

The notes on pages 9 to 28 form part of these financial statements.

Auckland Youth and Community Centre Limited

Statement of Cash Flows

Year Ended 31 March 2024

	2024 £	2023 £
Cash Flows from Operating Activities		
Net (expenditure)/income	**(32,077)**	73,733
Adjustments for:		
Depreciation of tangible fixed assets	**4,769**	4,175
Other interest receivable and similar income	**(911)**	(165)
Changes in:		
Trade and other debtors	**(120)**	(143)
Trade and other creditors	**4,868**	(8,711)
Cash generated from operations	**(23,471)**	68,889
Interest received	**911**	165
Net cash (used in)/from operating activities	**(22,560)**	69,054
Cash Flows from Investing Activities		
Purchase of tangible assets	**(18,941)**	–
Net cash used in investing activities	**(18,941)**	–
Net (Decrease)/Increase in Cash and Cash Equivalents	**(41,501)**	69,054
Cash and Cash Equivalents at Beginning of Year	**285,920**	216,866
Cash and Cash Equivalents at End of Year	**244,419**	285,920

The notes on pages 9 to 28 form part of these financial statements.

Auckland Youth and Community Centre Limited

Notes to the Financial Statements

Year Ended 31 March 2024

1. General Information

The charity is a public benefit entity and a private company limited by guarantee, registered in England and Wales and a registered charity in England and Wales. The address of the registered office is Walker Drive, Bishop Auckland, County Durham, DL14 6QL.

2. Statement of Compliance

These financial statements have been prepared in compliance with FRS 102, 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and the Republic of Ireland', the 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) (Charities SORP (FRS 102)) and the Companies Act 2006.

3. Accounting Policies

Basis of Preparation

The financial statements have been prepared on the historical cost basis, as modified by the revaluation of certain financial assets and liabilities and investments measured at fair value through income or expenditure.

The financial statements are prepared in sterling, which is the functional currency of the entity.

The entity is a Public Benefit Entity.

Going Concern

There are no material uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue.

Judgements and Key Sources of Estimation Uncertainty

The preparation of the financial statements requires management to make judgements, estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts reported. These estimates and judgements are continually reviewed and are based on experience and other factors, including expectations of future events that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances. The trustees consider that there are no significant estimates or judgements affecting these financial statements.

Fund Accounting

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of the purposes of the charity.

Designated funds are unrestricted funds earmarked by the trustees for specific purposes.

Restricted funds are subjected to restrictions on their expenditure imposed by the donor.

3. Accounting Policies *(continued)*

Income

All income is included in the statement of financial activities when the charity is entitled to the income, any performance related conditions attached have been met or are fully within the control of the charity, the income is considered probable and the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy. The following specific policies are applied to particular categories of income:

Donations and legacy income is received by way of donations, legacies, grants and gifts and is included in full in the Statement of Financial Activities when receivable. Where legacies have been notified to the charity but the criteria for income recognition have not been met, the legacy is treated as a contingent asset and disclosed if material. Grants, where entitlement is not conditional on the delivery of a specific performance by the charity, are recognised when the charity becomes unconditionally entitled to the grant.

Donated services and facilities are included at the value to the charity, being the amount the charity would have been willing to pay to obtain services or facilities of equivalent economic benefit on the open market.

Investment income is included when receivable.

Income from charitable trading activity is accounted for when earned.

Income from grants, where related to performance and specific deliverables, are accounted for as the charity earns the right to consideration by its performance.

Expenditure

Expenditure is recognised on an accruals basis as a liability is incurred. Expenditure includes any VAT which cannot be fully recovered, and is reported as part of the expenditure to which it relates:

Costs of raising funds comprise the costs associated with attracting donations, grants and legacies and the costs of trading for fundraising purposes.

Charitable expenditure comprises those costs incurred by the charity in the delivery of its activities and services for its beneficiaries. It includes both costs that can be allocated directly to such activities and those costs of an indirect nature necessary to support them.

Other expenditure includes all expenditure that is neither related to raising funds for the charity nor part of its expenditure on charitable activities.

All costs are allocated between the expenditure categories of the SOFA on a basis designed to reflect the use of the resource. Costs relating to a particular activity are allocated directly, others are apportioned on an appropriate basis, as set out in the notes to the accounts.

Tangible Assets

Fixed assets are stated at cost less accumulated depreciation. The costs of minor additions or those costing below £500 are not capitalised.

3. Accounting Policies *(continued)*

Depreciation

Depreciation is calculated so as to write off the cost or valuation of an asset, less its residual value, over the useful economic life of that asset as follows:

Leasehold Property	-	Straight line over the lease term
Equipment	-	15% reducing balance

Impairment of Fixed Assets

A review for indicators of impairment is carried out at each reporting date, with the recoverable amount being estimated where such indicators exist. Where the carrying value exceeds the recoverable amount, the asset is impaired accordingly. Prior impairments are also reviewed for possible reversal at each reporting date.

For the purposes of impairment testing, when it is not possible to estimate the recoverable amount of an individual asset, an estimate is made of the recoverable amount of the cash-generating unit to which the asset belongs. The cash-generating unit is the smallest identifiable group of assets that includes the asset and generates cash inflows that largely independent of the cash inflows from other assets or groups of assets.

For impairment testing of goodwill, the goodwill acquired in a business combination is, from the acquisition date, allocated to each of the cash-generating units that are expected to benefit from the synergies of the combination, irrespective of whether other assets or liabilities of the charity are assigned to those units.

Financial Instruments

The charity only has financial assets and liabilities of a kind that qualify as basic financial instruments. Basic financial instruments are initially recognised at transaction value and subsequently measured at their settlement value.

Defined Contribution Plans

Contributions to defined contribution plans are recognised as an expense in the period in which the related service is provided. Prepaid contributions are recognised as an asset to the extent that the prepayment will lead to a reduction in future payments or a cash refund.

When contributions are not expected to be settled wholly within 12 months of the end of the reporting date in which the employees render the related service, the liability is measured on a discounted present value basis. The unwinding of the discount is recognised as an expense in the period in which it arises.

Debtors

Trade and other debtors are recognised at the settlement amount due after any trade discount offered. Prepayments are valued at the amount prepaid net of any trade discounts due.

Accrued income and tax recoverable is included at the best estimate of the amounts receivable at the balance sheet date.

Cash at Bank and in Hand

Cash at bank and cash in hand includes cash and short term highly liquid investments with a short maturity of three months or less from the date of acquisition or opening of the deposit or similar account.

Creditors

Creditors are recognised where the charity has a present obligation resulting from a past event that will probably result in the transfer of funds to a third party and the amount due to settle the obligation can be measured or estimated reliably. Creditors are normally recognised at their settlement amount after allowing for any trade discounts due.

Taxation

The company is considered to pass the tests set out in Paragraph 1 Schedule 6 of the Finance Act 2010 and therefore it meets the definition of a charitable company for UK corporation tax purposes. Accordingly, the company is potentially exempt from taxation in respect of income or capital gains received within categories covered by Chapter 3 Part 11 of the Corporation Tax Act 2010 or Section 256 of the taxation of Chargeable Gains Act 1992, to the extent that such income or gains are applied exclusively to charitable purposes.

4. Limited by Guarantee

The company is limited by guarantee. At 31st March 2024 there were 7 members each of whom had undertaken to contribute an amount not exceeding £1 in the event of a winding up.

5. Donations and Legacies

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	**Total Funds 2024 £**
Donations			
Donations	309	–	**309**
Fundraising	903	–	**903**

5. Donations and Legacies *(continued)*

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	**Total Funds 2024 £**
Grants			
Bishop Auckland & Shildon Area Action Partnership	–	14,707	**14,707**
Henry Smith Charity	–	60,000	**60,000**
National Lottery Community Fund	–	111,968	**111,968**
Garfield Weston	–	25,000	**25,000**
County Durham Community Foundation	500	21,500	**22,000**
Neighbourhood budget	12,500	–	**12,500**
Teesdale Stronger Together Youth Collective	–	13,593	**13,593**
Happiness Hub Fund	–	7,436	**7,436**
Gaunless Gateway Big Local	–	55,405	**55,405**
Durham County Council	6,000	–	**6,000**
Community Foundation Tyne & Wear and Northumberland - 1989 Willan Charitable trust	–	10,000	**10,000**
Virgin Community Anchors Fund	–	10,000	**10,000**
Other grants	3,800	26,063	**29,863**
Scotto Charitable Trust	–	10,000	**10,000**
Locality	–	10,000	**10,000**
	24,012	375,672	**399,684**

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2023 £
Donations			
Donations	888	–	888
Fundraising	4,076	–	4,076

5. Donations and Legacies *(continued)*

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2023 £
Grants			
Bishop Auckland & Shildon Area Action Partnership	–	89,228	89,228
Henry Smith Charity	–	60,000	60,000
National Lottery Community Fund	–	93,605	93,605
Garfield Weston	–	25,000	25,000
County Durham Community Foundation	–	9,000	9,000
Happiness Hub Fund	–	7,344	7,344
Durham County Council	1,000	–	1,000
NE Youth (Kickstart)	2,404	–	2,404
South Durham Enterprise Agency (Gaunless Gateway Big Local)	–	73,782	73,782
Shildon Youth Initiative	–	14,000	14,000
The Youth Endowment Fund	–	10,151	10,151
Virgin Community Anchors Fund	–	15,000	15,000
West Auckland Youth Initiative	–	6,761	6,761
Community Foundation Tyne & Wear and Northumberland - Volunteering Project Fund	–	15,000	15,000
Other grants	–	16,600	16,600
Ballinger Trust	–	10,000	10,000
Co Durham Sport Together Fund	–	5,000	5,000
	8,368	450,471	458,839

The majority of income from the Gaunless Gateway Big Local (£55,405) and Henknowle (£6,007) is paid out on salaries on behalf of their party organisations with only a small amount retained as a management charge.

6. Charitable Activities

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	**Total Funds 2024 £**
Room hire	3,970	–	**3,970**
Other Centre income	1,075	–	**1,075**
After Schools	1,650	–	**1,650**
Challenge and Support Project	2,496	–	**2,496**
Disability Group	80	–	**80**
Henknowle	–	6,007	**6,007**
West Auckland Youth Initiative	–	1,757	**1,757**
Other project income	1,051	–	**1,051**
	10,322	7,764	**18,086**

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2023 £
Room hire	4,788	–	4,788
Other Centre income	2,612	–	2,612
After Schools	693	13,000	13,693
Challenge and Support Project	1,892	–	1,892
Playbus	–	10,000	10,000
Disability Group	120	2,000	2,120
Henknowle	–	5,539	5,539
West Auckland Youth Initiative	–	2,466	2,466
Other project income	509	81	590
	10,614	33,086	43,700

7. Income from Investments

	Unrestricted Funds £	**Total Funds 2024 £**	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2023 £
Bank interest receivable	911	**911**	165	165

8. Other Income

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	**Total Funds 2024 £**
Employment allowance	5,000	–	**5,000**
Secondment income	–	5,441	**5,441**
	5,000	5,441	**10,441**

8. Other Income *(continued)*

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2023 £
Employment allowance	5,000	–	5,000
Secondment income	–	–	–
	5,000	–	5,000

9. Expenditure on Charitable Activities by Fund Type

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	**Total Funds 2024 £**
Centre costs	68,682	–	**68,682**
Playbus	–	9,022	**9,022**
Garfield Weston	–	28,500	**28,500**
Gaunless Gateway Big Local	–	62,146	**62,146**
Henry Smith Strengthening Communities	–	60,000	**60,000**
After Schools	4,884	9,200	**14,084**
National Lottery Community Fund - Building Community Resilience	–	75,744	**75,744**
Holiday Activities	–	15,990	**15,990**
West Auckland Youth Initiative	–	20,475	**20,475**
Shildon Youth Initiative	–	7,764	**7,764**
AAP Delivery Manager Fund	–	21,715	**21,715**
Henknowle	–	6,007	**6,007**
CFTWN Volunteering Project Fund	–	18,052	**18,052**
CFTWN 1989 Willan Charitable trust	–	10,000	**10,000**
CDCF Joy Allen DP&CC CS Fund	–	3,474	**3,474**
NLCF Know Your Neighbourhood Fund	–	11,239	**11,239**
Virgin Community Anchors Fund	–	4,000	**4,000**
Other project costs	4,986	19,319	**24,305**
	78,552	382,647	**461,199**

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2023 £
Centre costs	48,679	–	48,679
Playbus	–	5,548	5,548
National Lottery Community Fund - Widening Horizons	–	64,445	64,445
Gaunless Gateway Big Local	–	53,985	53,985
Henry Smith Strengthening Communities	–	70,062	70,062
After Schools	4,242	13,000	17,242
National Lottery Community Fund - Building Community Resilience	–	22,465	22,465
National Lottery Community Fund - Awards For All	–	9,290	9,290
The Youth Endowment Fund	–	7,314	7,314
Holiday Activities	–	28,708	28,708
West Auckland Youth Initiative	–	11,066	11,066
Shildon Youth Initiative	–	5,150	5,150
AAP Delivery Manager Fund	–	–	–
NE Youth Alliance	–	5,000	5,000
Henknowle	–	5,539	5,539
CFTWN Volunteering Project Fund	–	11,949	11,949
CFTWN 1989 Willan Charitable trust	–	9,229	9,229
AAP Detached/AYCC Youth Work	8,520	4,530	13,050
CDCF Joy Allen DP&CC CS Fund	–	4,026	4,026
Virgin Community Anchors Fund	–	9,077	9,077
Other project costs	11,436	20,711	32,147
	72,877	361,094	433,971

10. Expenditure on Charitable Activities by Activity Type

	Activities undertaken directly £	**Total funds 2024 £**	Total fund 2023 £
Centre costs	68,682	**68,682**	48,679
Playbus	9,022	**9,022**	5,548
Garfield Weston	28,500	**28,500**	–
National Lottery Community Fund - Widening Horizons	–	**–**	64,445
Gaunless Gateway Big Local	62,146	**62,146**	53,985
Henry Smith Strengthening Communities	60,000	**60,000**	70,062
After Schools	14,084	**14,084**	17,242
National Lottery Community Fund - Building Community Resilience	75,744	**75,744**	22,465
National Lottery Community Fund - Awards For All	–	**–**	9,290
The Youth Endowment Fund	–	**–**	7,314
Holiday Activities	15,990	**15,990**	28,708
West Auckland Youth Initiative	20,475	**20,475**	11,066
Shildon Youth Initiative	7,764	**7,764**	5,150

AAP Delivery Manager Fund	21,715	**21,715**	–
NE Youth Alliance	–	**–**	5,000
Henknowle	6,007	**6,007**	5,539
CFTWN Volunteering Project Fund	18,052	**18,052**	11,949
CFTWN 1989 Willan Charitable trust	10,000	**10,000**	9,229
AAP Detached/AYCC Youth Work	–	**–**	13,050
CDCF Joy Allen DP&CC CS Fund	3,474	**3,474**	4,026
NLCF Know Your Neighbourhood Fund	11,239	**11,239**	–
Virgin Community Anchors Fund	4,000	**4,000**	9,077
Other project costs	24,305	**24,305**	32,147
	461,199	**461,199**	433,971

11. Net (Expenditure)/Income

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

	2024	2023
	£	£
Depreciation of tangible fixed assets	**4,769**	4,175

12. Independent Examination Fees

	2024	2023
	£	£
Fees payable to the independent examiner for:		
Independent examination of the financial statements	**840**	756

13. Staff Costs and Emoluments

The total staff costs and employee benefits for the reporting period are analysed as follows:

	2024	2023
	£	£
Wages and salaries	**295,010**	270,199
Social security costs	**22,730**	19,818
Employer contributions to pension plans	**6,348**	5,195
	324,088	295,212

The average head count of employees during the year was 15 (2023: 22). The average number of full-time equivalent employees during the year is analysed as follows:

	2024	2023
	No.	No.
Number of management staff	**3**	3
Number of Centre staff	**2**	2
Number of project staff	**10**	7
	15	12

No employee received employee benefits of more than £60,000 during the year (2023: Nil).

13. Staff Costs and Emoluments *(continued)*

Key Management Personnel
Key management personnel include all persons that have authority and responsibility for planning, directing and controlling the activities of the charity. The total compensation paid to key management personnel for services provided to the charity was £45,188 (2023:£56,664).

14. Trustee Remuneration and Expenses

No trustees received remuneration during the year (2023 - Nil).

During the year 2 trustees were reimbursed expenses totalling £1,729 (2023 - 1 trustee received a total of £992).

15. Transfers Between Funds

During the year £27,329 was transferred from restricted to unrestricted funds. This comprised:

	2024 £
Centre cost contributions from projects	**31,796**
Contribution to AYCC Know Your Neighbourhood fund from reserves	**(11,140)**
Room hire paid by projects	**7,090**
Payroll fees paid by projects	**543**
Contribution to building Community Resilience from reserves	**(1,000)**
Other transfers	**40**
	27,329

16. Tangible Fixed Assets

	Long leasehold property £	Equipment £	**Total** **£**
Cost			
At 1 April 2023	77,165	88,583	**165,748**
Additions	18,941	–	**18,941**
At 31 March 2024	96,106	88,583	**184,689**
Depreciation			
At 1 April 2023	48,511	82,415	**130,926**
Charge for the year	3,844	925	**4,769**
At 31 March 2024	52,355	83,340	**135,695**
Carrying amount			
At 31 March 2024	43,751	5,243	**48,994**
At 31 March 2023	28,654	6,168	34,822

17. Debtors

	2024	2023
	£	£
Trade debtors	308	65
Prepayments and accrued income	4,406	4,529
	4,714	4,594

18. Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2024	2023
	£	£
Creditors and accruals	8,760	3,892

19. Pensions and Other Post Retirement Benefits

Defined contribution plans

The amount recognised in income or expenditure as an expense in relation to defined contribution plans was £6,348 (2023: £5,195).

20. Analysis of Charitable Funds

Unrestricted funds

	At 1 April 2023	Income	Expenditure	Transfers	At 31 March 2024
	£	£	£	£	£
General Fund	42,682	34,965	(61,457)	4,760	**20,950**
Capital Fund	34,822	–	(4,769)	18,941	**48,994**
Redundancy Fund	21,903	–	–	3,588	**25,491**
Disability Group	4,105	80	(2,412)	(1,773)	**–**
After Schools	4,391	1,650	(4,884)	–	**1,157**
Challenge & Support Group	4,917	2,496	(1,921)	1,773	**7,265**
AYCC Training	3,649	–	(2,696)	–	**953**
Craft & Support Project	1,394	321	(391)	–	**1,324**
Detached youth Work	–	–	–	–	**–**
Man Cave Project	–	331	(2)	40	**369**
Stay n Eat	–	203	–	–	**203**
Toddlers	–	199	(20)	–	**179**
	117,863	40,245	(78,552)	27,329	**106,885**

	At 1 April 2022	Income	Expenditure	Transfers	At 31 March 2023
	£	£	£	£	£
General Fund	23,740	20,933	(44,504)	42,513	42,682
Capital Fund	38,997	–	(4,175)	–	34,822
Redundancy Fund	21,453	–	–	450	21,903
Disability Group	5,058	120	(1,073)	–	4,105
After Schools	7,037	693	(4,241)	902	4,391
Challenge & Support Group	10,245	1,892	(7,285)	65	4,917
Girls' Friendly Society	65	–	–	(65)	–
Stay 'n' Play	902	–	–	(902)	–
AYCC Training	5,750	–	(2,101)	–	3,649
Craft & Support Project	1,550	509	(978)	313	1,394
Detached youth Work	6,134	–	(8,520)	2,386	–
Man Cave Project	–	–	–	–	–
Pick N Mix group	313	–	–	(313)	–
	121,244	24,147	(72,877)	45,349	117,863

Designated funds are for the following purposes:

After Schools - This fund comprises fee income from participants in the After Schools Club, and it is to be spent on After Schools provision.

Challenge & Support Project - This fund comprises fee income from participants in the Challenge & Support Project and it is to be spent on the same.

Craft & Support Project - This fund comprises fee income from participants in the Craft & Support Project and it is to be spent on the same.

Disability Group - This fund comprises fee income from participants in the Disability Group and it is to be spent on the same.

Man Cave Group - This fund comprises fee income from participants in the Man Cave Group and it is to be spent on the same.

Stay & Eat Project - This fund comprises fee income from users of the Stay & Eat Project and it is to be spent on the same.

Toddlers Group - This fund comprises fee income from participants in the Toddlers Group and it is to be spent on the same.

Contingency Fund - This fund comprises money set aside for redundancies.

Training Fund - This fund comprises money set aside for training for staff, volunteers and trustees.

Capital - This fund contains all the fixed assets.

Restricted funds

	At 1 April 2023 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfers £	At 31 March 2024 £
AYCC Delivery Manager Fund	–	14,113	–	–	**14,113**
AYCC Know Your Neighbourhood Fund	–	–	–	11,140	**11,140**
Bishop Auckland Town Council	–	4,450	(3,800)	–	**650**
CDCF After Schools Club	–	5,000	(4,700)	(300)	–
CDCF AYCC Warm Spaces	–	3,000	(2,550)	(450)	–
CDCF Going Green Together	–	3,500	(240)	–	**3,260**
CDCF Poverty Hurts	–	10,000	(1,051)	(1,544)	**7,405**
Happiness Hub Fund (Stay & Eat)	–	7,436	(1,235)	–	**6,201**
Locality - Cost of Living Grant Programme	–	10,000	–	(10,000)	–
Masonic Charitable Foundation	–	5,000	(1,026)	–	**3,974**
NLCF Know Your Neighbourhood Fund	–	30,000	(11,239)	–	**18,761**
Henknowle	–	6,007	(6,007)	–	–
Playbus	9,022	–	(9,022)	–	–
Henry Smith Charity - Strengthening Communities	–	60,000	(60,000)	–	–
BASH AAP Holiday Activities Fund	1,283	14,707	(15,990)	–	–
Scotto Trust	–	10,000	(2,455)	–	**7,545**
WAYI Gaunless Gateway	3,765	–	(3,765)	–	–
NE Youth	–	–	–	–	–
Scholefield Trust	190	–	(190)	–	–
Garfield Weston	3,500	25,000	(28,500)	–	–
Gaunless Gateway Big Local	38,082	60,846	(62,146)	(11,932)	**24,850**

20. Analysis of Charitable Funds *(continued)*

British & Foreign Schools Society	–	2,500	(1,026)	–	**1,474**
Community Foundation Tyne & Wear and Northumberland - 1989 Willan Charitable Trust	–	10,000	(10,000)	–	–
Community Foundation Tyne & Wear and Northumberland - Volunteering Project Fund	18,051	–	(18,051)	–	–
Virgin Community Anchors Fund	3,000	10,000	(4,000)	(9,000)	–
AYCC Building Community Resilience	13,000	–	–	1,000	**14,000**
AAP Delivery Manager Fund	55,998	–	(21,715)	–	**34,283**
Ballinger Charitable Trust	10,000	–	(893)	–	**9,107**
CDCF Joy Allen DP&CC CS Fund	3,474	–	(3,474)	–	–
Co Durham Sport Together Fund	5,000	–	–	(5,000)	–
Happiness Hub Fund	4,854	–	(4,854)	–	–
NLCF Building Community Resilience	17,996	81,968	(75,744)	–	**24,220**
Netherton Park Trust	5,000	–	(4,500)	(500)	–
Shildon Youth Initiative	8,307	–	(7,764)	(543)	–
WAYI General Fund	1,514	1,757	(2,089)	(160)	**1,022**
WAYI Teesdale STYC	1,505	13,593	(14,621)	–	**477**
Men Cave Project	40	–	–	(40)	–
	203,581	388,877	(382,647)	(27,329)	**182,482**

20. Analysis of Charitable Funds *(continued)*

	At 1 April 2022 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfers £	At 31 March 2023 £
NLCF Widening Horizons	14,302	53,145	(64,447)	(3,000)	–
Bishop Auckland & Shildon AAP Detached Youth Work	4,530	–	(4,530)	–	–
Henknowle	–	5,539	(5,539)	–	–
Playbus	4,570	10,000	(5,548)	–	9,022
Henry Smith Charity - Covid 19	11,902	–	(11,902)	–	–
Henry Smith Charity - Strengthening Communities	–	60,000	(58,160)	(1,840)	–
National Lottery Awards For All	9,290	–	(9,290)	–	–
BASH AAP Holiday Activities Fund	–	29,990	(28,707)	–	1,283
Scotto Trust	–	–	–	–	–
WAYI Gaunless Gateway	9,081	577	(5,434)	(459)	3,765
NE Youth	–	5,000	(5,000)	–	–
Scholefield Trust	–	600	(410)	–	190
Garfield Weston	–	25,000	(1,750)	(19,750)	3,500
Gaunless Gateway Big Local	35,255	73,322	(53,983)	(16,512)	38,082
AYCC Satellite Project No. 3	740	–	–	(740)	–
AYCC Shildon Satellite Project	1,646	–	–	(1,646)	–
British & Foreign Schools Society	–	2,500	(2,500)	–	–
CDCF CG funding programme	5,000	–	(750)	(4,250)	–
CDCF Storm Arwen grant	1,000	–	–	(1,000)	–
Community Foundation Tyne & Wear and Northumberland - 1989 Willan Charitable Trust	10,000	–	(9,230)	(770)	–
Community Foundation Tyne & Wear and Northumberland - Newcastle Building Society	3,000	–	(3,000)	–	–
Community Foundation Tyne & Wear and Northumberland - Volunteering Project Fund	15,000	15,000	(11,949)	–	18,051
Durham Youth Conferences grant	–	2,000	(1,072)	(928)	–
Virgin Community Anchors Fund	–	15,000	(9,077)	(2,923)	3,000

20. Analysis of Charitable Funds *(continued)*

Youth Focus NE (The Youth Endowment Fund)	1,151	10,151	(7,314)	(3,988)	–
AYCC Building Community Resilience	–	–	–	13,000	13,000
AAP Delivery Manager Fund	–	59,238	(3,240)	–	55,998
Ballinger Charitable Trust	–	10,000	–	–	10,000
CDCF Joy Allen DP&CC CS Fund	–	7,500	(4,026)	–	3,474
CDCF Warm Spaces	–	1,500	(1,500)	–	–
CFTWN NBS Queen's Platinum Jubilee	–	1,500	(1,500)	–	–
Co Durham Sport Together Fund	–	5,000	–	–	5,000
Happiness Hub Fund	–	7,344	(2,490)	–	4,854
NLCF Building Community Resilience	–	40,460	(22,464)	–	17,996
Netherton Park Trust	–	5,000	–	–	5,000
Shildon Youth Initiative	–	14,000	(5,150)	(543)	8,307
WAYI General Fund	–	1,890	(376)	–	1,514
WAYI Teesdale STYC	–	6,761	(5,256)	–	1,505
Masonic Charitable Foundation	–	5,000	(5,000)	–	–
Barbour Foundation	–	10,000	(10,000)	–	–
Craft & Support Project	–	500	(500)	–	–
Men Cave Project	–	40	–	–	40
	126,467	483,557	(361,094)	(45,349)	203,581

20. Analysis of Charitable Funds *(continued)*

The restricted funds are for the following purposes:

AYCC Building Community Resilience - This fund is match funding from Centre Reserves for National Lottery Community Fund Building Community Resilience Project.

AYCC Delivery Manager Fund - This fund is towards costs for the Delivery Manager Post.

AYCC Know Your Neighbourhood Fund - This fund is match funding from Centre Reserves for National Lottery Community Know Your Neighbourhood Fund Project.

BASH AAP (Delivery Manager Fund) - Funding for the Delivery Manager Post for National Lottery Community Fund Building Community Resilience Project.

Ballinger Charitable Trust - This grant is to extend our delivery program in West Auckland.

Bishop Auckland Town Council - Funds throughout the financial year have been received towards the coronation event, winter wonderland activity, provide theatre tickets for local families, International Women's Day and for Easter activities.

British & Foreign Schools Society (After Schools) - This grant is towards running costs for the After Schools Project.

County Durham Community Foundation (Community Grants Funding Programme Grant) - This grant was towards running costs for the After Schools Project.

County Durham Community Foundation (AYCC Welcome Spaces Grant) - This grant is used to provide a warm and comfortable place for residents of Woodhouse Close Estate to attend.

County Durham Community Foundation (Going Green Together Grant) - This grant is being used to make the centre a greener organisation by increasing energy efficiency and reducing the centre's carbon footprint.

County Durham Community Foundation (Police, Crime & Victims' Commissioner (PCVC) Community Safety Fund) - This grant was towards a detached youth work project across Woodhouse Close Estate, specifically targeting young people who are not currently engaging in services.

County Durham Community Foundation (Poverty Hurt Grant) - This grant is towards to address the ongoing need to tackle severe local poverty and disadvantage in the local area.

Community Foundation Tyne & Wear and Northumberland (The 1989 Willan Charitable Trust Grant) - This grant was towards running costs for the After Schools Project and multisport sessions.

Community Fund Tyne & Wear and Northumberland (Volunteering Project Grant) - This grant was for a Volunteer Coordinator to work with volunteers to improve their skills and the work of the organisation.

County Durham Sport Together Fund - This grant was to provide subsidies for rental of premises for sporting activities.

Garfield Weston Foundation - This grant was towards core running costs for the organisation.

Gaunless Gateway (Big Local Partnership Agreement) - This grant is to allow AYCC to employee two workers from the Gaunless Gateway Big Local Partnership.

20. Analysis of Charitable Funds *(continued)*

Happiness Hub Fund (Man Cave Group) - This grant funded the Men's Group health and wellbeing and activities.

Happiness Hub Fund (Stay & Eat) - This grant is towards staffing costs, activities costs, running costs and food and refreshments. The grant will help beneficiaries who are struggling with food costs.

Henry Smith Charity (Strengthening Communities Grant) - This grant is for centre core running costs, specifically contributions towards the salaries of the Administration Worker and Cleaner.

BASH AAP Holiday Activities Fund - This fund is for various grants received to support children and their families across the area to food and activity packs during school holidays periods.

Locality (Cost of Living Grant Programme) - This grant was towards core running costs for the organisation.

Masonic Charitable Foundation (After Schools) - This grant is towards staffing costs, activities costs and healthy snacks for our After Schools Project.

National Lottery Community Fund (Building Community Resilience) - This grant is to deliver the Building Community Resilience to support people living on the Woodhouse Close Estate and the surrounding area with projects and activities.

National Lottery Community Fund (Know Your Neighbourhood Fund)Th - is grant is for a Volunteer Coordinator to work with volunteers to improve their skills and the work of the organisation.

Netherton Park Trust (After Schools) - This grant is towards staffing costs, activities costs and healthy snacks for our After Schools Project.

Scholefield Trust - This grant was for activities for children and young people.

Scotto Charitable Trust - This grant is used support for the homework clubs/study groups for children and young people aged 7 years plus.

Shildon Youth Initiative - This grant was for a youth project based in Shildon.

Virgin Money Foundation Community Anchors' Fund - This grant was towards core running costs for the organisation.

West Auckland Youth Initiative Project (Gaunless Gateway Fund) - This grant was towards a youth work project across West Auckland, specifically targeting young people who are not currently engaging in services.

West Auckland Youth Initiative Project (General Fund) - This fund is towards a youth work project across West Auckland, specifically targeting young people who are not currently engaging in services.

West Auckland Youth Initiative Project (Teesdale Stronger Together Youth Collective Fund) - This grant is towards a youth work project across West Auckland, specifically targeting young people who are not currently engaging in services.

Henknowle - This fund is for the caretaker's salary at Henknowle Community Centre.

Playbus - This grant allowed us to deliver this project which was fully fitted mobile soft play area that could be used for children's activities, community events, and private parties and also be used as a tool for engagement.

21. Analysis of Net Assets Between Funds

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	**Total Funds 2024 £**
Tangible fixed assets	48,994	–	**48,994**
Current Assets	66,651	182,482	**249,133**
Creditors less than 1 year	(8,760)	–	**(8,760)**
Net assets	106,885	182,482	**289,367**

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2023 £
Tangible fixed assets	34,822	–	34,822
Current Assets	86,933	203,581	290,514
Creditors less than 1 year	(3,892)	–	(3,892)
Net assets	117,863	203,581	321,444

22. Analysis of Changes in Net Debt

	At 1 Apr 2023 £	Cash flows £	**At 31 Mar 2024 £**
Cash at bank and in hand	285,920	(41,501)	**244,419**

23. Operating Lease Commitments

The total future minimum lease payments under non-cancellable operating leases are as follows:

	2024 £	2023 £
Not later than 1 year	**4,578**	4,458
Later than 1 year and not later than 5 years	**18,312**	1,462
	22,890	5,920

Auckland Youth and Community Centre Limited

Management Information

Year Ended 31 March 2024

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Auckland Youth and Community Centre Limited

Detailed Statement of Financial Activities

Year Ended 31 March 2024

	2024 £	2023 £
Income and endowments		
Donations and legacies		
Donations	**309**	888
Fundraising	**903**	4,076
Bishop Auckland & Shildon Area Action Partnership	**14,707**	89,228
Henry Smith Charity	**60,000**	60,000
National Lottery Community Fund	**111,968**	93,605
Garfield Weston	**25,000**	25,000
County Durham Community Foundation	**22,000**	9,000
Neighbourhood budget	**12,500**	–
Teesdale Stronger Together Youth Collective	**13,593**	–
Happiness Hub Fund	**7,436**	7,344
Gaunless Gateway Big Local	**55,405**	–
Durham County Council	**6,000**	1,000
NE Youth (Kickstart)	**–**	2,404
Community Foundation Tyne & Wear and Northumberland - 1989 Willan Charitable trust	**10,000**	–
South Durham Enterprise Agency (Gaunless Gateway Big Local)	**–**	73,782
Shildon Youth Initiative	**–**	14,000
The Youth Endowment Fund	**–**	10,151
Virgin Community Anchors Fund	**10,000**	15,000
West Auckland Youth Initiative	**–**	6,761
Community Foundation Tyne & Wear and Northumberland - Volunteering Project Fund	**–**	15,000
Other grants	**29,863**	16,600
Ballinger Trust	**–**	10,000
Co Durham Sport Together Fund	**–**	5,000
Scotto Charitable Trust	**10,000**	–
Locality	**10,000**	–
	399,684	458,839
Charitable activities		
Room hire	**3,970**	4,788
Other Centre income	**1,075**	2,612
After Schools	**1,650**	13,693
Challenge and Support Project	**2,496**	1,892
Playbus	**–**	10,000
Disability Group	**80**	2,120
Carried forward	**(9,271)**	(35,105)

Auckland Youth and Community Centre Limited

Detailed Statement of Financial Activities *(continued)*

Year Ended 31 March 2024

	2024 £	2023 £
Brought forward	(9,271)	(35,105)
Henknowle	**6,007**	5,539
West Auckland Youth Initiative	**1,757**	2,466
Other project income	**1,051**	590
	18,086	43,700
Income from investments		
Bank interest receivable	**911**	165
Other income		
Employment allowance	**5,000**	5,000
Secondment income	**5,441**	–
	10,441	5,000
Total income	**429,122**	507,704
Expenditure		
Wages and salaries	**295,010**	270,199
Employer's NIC	**22,730**	19,818
Pension costs	**6,348**	5,195
Premises costs	**20,482**	26,612
Office costs	**9,945**	7,711
Depreciation	**4,769**	4,175
Other costs	**90,671**	92,952
Accountancy and Independent Examination	**960**	756
Professional and consultancy fees	**10,284**	6,553
Total expenditure	**461,199**	433,971
Net (expenditure)/income	**(32,077)**	73,733

AUCKLAND YOUTH AND COMMUNITY CENTRE

England & Wales - Charity number 1118157

Accounts

Company Registration Number: 5772054
Charity Registration Number: 1118157

Auckland Youth and Community Centre Limited

Financial Statements

For the Year Ending

31 March 2023

Bringing Communities Together

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Auckland Youth and Community Centre Limited

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Auckland Youth and Community Centre Limited

Trustees' Annual Report (Incorporating the Director's Report)

Year Ended 31 March 2023

The trustees, who are also the directors for the purposes of company law, present their report and the unaudited financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2023.

Objectives and Activities

The objectives for which the charity is established are:-

1) To maintain and manage the building in furtherance of the objectives;
2) To promote the benefit of the inhabitants of Bishop Auckland, primarily residents of Woodhouse Close Estate without distinction of sex, sexual orientation, race or of political, religious or other opinions, by associating together the said inhabitants and the local authorities, voluntary and other organisations in a common effort to advance education and to provide facilities in the interest of social welfare, with the objective of improving the conditions of life for the said inhabitants, and 3) To promote such other charitable purposes as may from time to time be determined.

The Centre aims to:-

1) Improve the conditions of life for the inhabitants of Woodhouse Close Estate and the surrounding area.
2) Seek funding to maintain staff to develop the centre and its objectives.
3) Initiate activities and facilities to meet the needs of the Centre's users and the wider community.
4) Work in partnership with other agencies, groups and organisations to further the aims.
5) Encourage participation from members of the community to become actively involved in the management and the running of the Centre.
6) Promote the benefit of the community of Woodhouse Close residents by associating together volunteers and organisations in a common effort to improve the quality.

At the start of the financial year, services on offer were almost back to pre-pandemic levels. The challenges ahead were to secure funding, in preparation for the Widening Horizon Project funding from the National Lottery coming to an end, on the 30th November 2022.

Achievements and Performance

Services in the Centre, on the Woodhouse Close estate and in the wider Bishop Auckland area continue to be delivered by qualified and committed staff employed by Auckland Youth and Community Centre Limited. The main activities during the reporting period are described below.

Delivery Team Activities
(Information provided by Tracy Moore, Delivery Manager, supported by Bill Niblo, Chairperson)

In June 2022, Dave McCreedy our Delivery Manager left his role to take up a new position with Youth Focus North East, although Dave continued to support the Delivery Team Lead Workers up until the end of November 2022. Dave had been with the organisation for just over 5 ½ years. He had been instrumental in the setting up and establishing the Widening Horizons Project. Dave was a well-respected member of the Auckland Youth and Community Centre family, no job was too big or too small for Dave, he rose to every challenge. He was also very well respected by all of our partners. Through these partnerships we have been able to extend our reach beyond the boundaries of the Woodhouse Close estate.

Initially we did not replace Dave on a full-time basis, as we were unsure of the funding, beyond the 30th November 2022, for his post. The Lead Workers stepped up and did a good job in keeping everything running. Then came the good news, the National Lottery agreed to fund us for a further two years and the Bishop and Shildon Area Action Partnership agreed to part fund the Delivery Manager post for a period of 3 years.

We immediately set about the recruitment of a new delivery manager, and it is pleasing to report that we successfully appointed Tracy Moore to the post; which she started on the 1st February 2023.

The delivery team continued to develop and deliver a full range of activities for children, young people and adults. The programme included the following:

- After School Club

(Monday, Tuesday and Thursday afternoons)
Total attendance 2,124

- Auckland Games

This project has grown out of the detached youth work (351) and StreetGames Project (899).(Tuesday and Thursday afternoons)
Total attendance.1,250

- Youth Groups including activities in the Centre (including some joint work with the Girls Friendly Society April - August 2022) at Shildon and West Auckland Total attendance. 2,113

- Buttons Group

Bi-weekly on a Sunday
Targeted at children and young people with disabilities, but staff also actively encouraged siblings to attend. Total attendance.174

- Craft Group

(Wednesday morning)
Total attendance. 398

- Man Cave

(Tuesday evenings and one Saturday every month).
Total attendance. 89

- Fun and Food Project

Run during school holidays and includes a range of trips and visits.
Total attendance. 1113

- Playbus

The playbus has been out of action since December 2021. A reconditioned engine is currently being fitted. A feasibility study has been commissioned in conjunction with the Gaunless Gateway Big Local to determine the future direction and ultimately the future use of the playbus.

- Warm Space Project

This project ran over the winter months, the idea was to provide a warm place to meet and a snack for local residents, one day per week. The project was not well attended, but the concept behind the project was valid. If the project is to be repeated in 2023-24 then careful planning will need to be put in place. Total attendance. 18

Centre Numbers

The data below represents the attendance figures to centre activities, to compare pre and post COVID Pandemic statistics.

2019-2020	2020-2021	2021-2022	2022-2023
17,812	2,616	10,847	10,261

Whilst the attendance figures have not yet returned to pre-pandemic level, the figures for the last 2 years have been broadly the same. The difference of just under 600 can be accounted for by the summer programme. It is interesting to report that the figures for the final quarter of 2022-23 are up on the previous financial year (2021-2022) for the same period.

The above figures do not include the numbers from the Crisis Intervention Project funded by the National Lottery Community Fund, run in partnership with Woodhouse Close Church.

The numbers are also on the increase post COVID, as is our unrestricted income due to the external usage of the centre. Use of Hayley's Room has increased through a growing number of training courses, plus regular bookings of the sports hall by the table tennis group and junior rugby. Jon Kelly continues to co-ordinate the external bookings and he has been ably supported by colleagues from the Delivery Team, who made themselves available to allow access to the centre.

Snapshot 2022-2023

Joint projects and activities

- Peer Research Project
- Platinum Jubilee Event
- Woman's Rugby World Cup
- Sometimes It Hurts Project
- Kynren Family Event
- Cyber Bullying Project
- Empower Her

Trips and visits

- StreetGames volunteers Birmingham Commonwealth Games
- Baltic Gateshead
- Little Theatre Gateshead
- Tweddle Farm (Buttons Group)

Quotes

- Young people often say the youth club is our safe space.
- We can have fun ad meet up with our friends.
- We love the food at the youth club and sitting together with our friends eating.
- The youth Club gives us something to do, better than being bored at home.
- I like going to the Button Group because I feel comfortable there. I get on well with Laura and Natalie and they do good things, and I really like singing Elvis on the karaoke.
- Button Group parent.
  I feel like E has really settled in the group and he enjoys going. He has made new friends there and his confidence has grown since joining. Thank you to everyone involved.
- Member of the Man Cave Group.
  I really enjoy the group. It gives me something social to do and gets me out of the house a couple of hours a week as I can't travel far and I only go out to watch football if it's on. Natalie has helped provide me with information of support out there with my forthcoming cancer treatment.

Business Development.
(Information provided by John Wiseman, Business Development Manager).

Introduction and overview
2022-23 has been another successful year for Auckland Youth and Community Centre Limited. Whilst the post-pandemic transition from 'old normal' to 'new normal' continues to take shape, this years productivity and progress are linked to our ability to focus once again on longer-term financial security and stability. In other words, slowly but successfully, we are moving away from 'survival mode' and we are now where we wanted to be this time last year; planning ahead with renewed confidence and an eye on longer-term sustainability. Before continuing, it is worthwhile pausing for a moment to appreciate the hard work and commitment of the individuals, groups and partner organisations - far too many to mention - who have helped to get us to this healthy position.

Key facts and figures
This year, we have seen a 23% rise in our income, to £507,704, whilst expenditure increased by just 4% to £433,971. By our standards, the resulting operating profit of £73,733 is very large, comparing starkly with last year's operating loss (£4,862). Of course, the profits will be re-invested into the organisation. Our reserves at the year-end were £42,682, much higher than last year's figure of £23,740 and, unusually, slightly above our optimal window of 3-6 months' running costs. Together, these two positions (profit-and-loss and reserves) will help us to maintain financial stability and achieve our goal of long-term sustainability.

Financial governance
We are pleased to report another year of good financial governance which is, at least in part, the reason why we are able to report on such a healthy financial position this year. Examples of good governance, overseen by the AYCC's Trustees and managers, include:

- Ongoing scrutiny of our financial activities by, for example, reference to our finance policy, whilst also checking regularly that the policy remains fit for purpose.

- Monthly meetings of our Finance Monitoring Group, chaired by the Business Development Manager, to review the Centre's most significant grant applications (planned and ongoing); grant monitoring, evaluation and reporting; general fundraising progress (including our online fundraising platforms); income generation planning (supported by an in-depth look at our review of our 'grants pipeline' in the form of an Excel spreadsheet); and finally any key issues requiring resolution.

- Adherence to a robust reporting structure - including clear links between the Finance Monitoring Group (which meets on the second Tuesday of the month) and the Board of Trustees (which meets on the first Thursday of the month).

- Detailed recording of progress through the grants pipeline (see above) which is updated on an ongoing basis, with regular 'snapshot' updates issued to the trustees, usually during the week prior to the monthly Board meeting.

Staff updates
Our business development 'core' team continues to grow, with the creation of a new post, Volunteer Co-ordinator, filled by Samantha Townsend in November 2022. Samantha has made a great start introducing a new volunteer development programme,

Income generation.
Picking up on the point about this year's record income, it is important to note that, once again, the majority has been secured through successful applications to grant funders.

The most significant large-scale grant secured this financial year came from the National Lottery Community Fund (NLCF); a two-year grant of £163,935 towards our new 'flagship' Building Community Resilience Project. Starting in January 2023, this replaces the Widening Horizons project which, for the previous six years, had also been funded by NCLF.

Additionally, £67,300 of match-funding has been committed by AYCC trustees; making the total value of the new project £231,235 over the next two years.

Integral to the Building Community Resilience Project is the role of the Delivery Manager whose salary will be funded by a mixture of grants from the NLCF (as above) and Bishop Auckland and Shildon Area Action Partnership (BASH-AAP).

The other grants we have secured this financial year are too numerous to mention within this section of the report. It goes without saying that all grants are extremely important to us, and each funder is rightly acknowledged in the accounts section.

Income thresholds
The highest ever recorded by the charity, this year's income of £507,704 demonstrates AYCC's readiness as an organisation to move into a higher income bracket (£500k-£1m). Supported by the Finance Monitoring Group (see above), our Business Development Manager is managing this transition by, for example, networking with AYCC's trusted partners - in particular, those who have relevant experience. Whilst increasing our income year-on-year is a nice problem to have, the associated risks it brings will need to be managed well, in order to ensure a smooth transition and continuing financial sustainability.

Business Plan
As predicted in last year's report, AYCC's new strategic 2022-25 Business Plan is now in use, supported by an action plan which has been reviewed and updated to ensure its fitness for purpose. Further tweaks to the business planning process this year included a mechanism to link the action plan to the balanced business scorecard. This year also saw the production of additional background documentation, which will serve as a useful 'toolkit'. It has been put together by our Business Plan sub-group, which includes Rapha Meucci our business development volunteer with masses of experience in business planning. Rapha has guided us through the transition from 'old' to 'new' business plans and we really appreciate her support.

Partnerships
This year, once again, our business would not have been able to develop and grow without the fantastic support of so many partners. These include:

- Gaunless Gateway Big Local (GGBL) with whom we work very closely on many levels including project delivery, some of which is also funded by GGBL, and our provision of a management service to support the Big Local Partnership staff team.

- Networks and collaborations including a professionally-facilitated peer-support group supported by the Virgin Money Foundation (VMF) who, like AYCC, benefit currently from grants from the VMF's Community Anchors' Fund. Additionally, we have a healthy working relationship, from which several joint projects have emerged; with Youth Focus North East, the North East Youth Alliance, and Teesdale Stronger Together Youth Collective.

- Durham University, with whom our excellent partnership continues. Because we have needed to prioritise other projects in 2022-23, we have engaged with neither student interns nor student volunteers.

Whilst we look forward to re-establishing such projects in 2023-24, we have stayed connected with Durham University in the meantime, to share, support and promote each other's work.

Strategic Financial Way Forward
For AYCC, 2022-23 has been another year during which we have continued to build upon our strengths, thereby remaining on track to plan for a financially sustainable future. Some of the ways in which we have managed to achieve this desirable position over the past year, in addition to those mentioned previously, include:

- Beginning to re-examine how we may diversify income streams, to allow for a reducing dependence on grants. This has taken longer than planned due to the 'long tail' of Covid-19 and, consequently, the time it has taken to re-adjust as a business.

- More focus on increasing unrestricted funds e.g. larger scale fundraising including development and delivery of corporate events (jointly with other local partners).

- Ongoing review of all contracts and costs associated with the running of AYCC.

- Continued emphasis upon marketing and promotion.

Building Fabric
The building has been maintained over the past 12 months, to ensure it meets all statutory and health and safety requirements. The building is also cleaned five days every week.

Long-term, our goal is a whole-centre refurbishment. Meanwhile, we have continued to identify works to improve the facilities. Key features of the building works carried out during the financial year have included decoration of the building.

The trustees are currently planning to provide disabled access to both the sports hall and youth entrance. The work is scheduled for completion during the summer of 2023.

Financial Review

Reserves Policy
The aim of the Trustees is to retain unrestricted "free" reserves equivalent to between 3 and 6 months' Centre running costs excluding depreciation and exceptional costs. At current activity levels this is equal to between £20,000 and £40,000. Unrestricted "free" reserves at 31st March 2023 were £42,682 which is above this range.

Investment Policy
Monies not required for immediate use are placed in a High Interest Business Account. There are no other investments.

Risk Management
The major risks identified by the trustees have been reviewed and systems established to mitigate those risks.

Acknowledgements

Over the past 12 months, the Board of Trustees has continued to remain steadfast in understanding its roles and responsibilities including its strategic direction.

The Board of Trustees also very much appreciate the hard work and dedication shown by all of its paid staff and volunteers in our delivery team. The team was ably managed by David McCreedy and now by Tracy Moore. The quality of the services is of a very high standard.

As with our service delivery team, the Board of Trustees very much appreciates the hard work and commitment of our support staff, ably managed by John Wiseman. Again, the quality of the work is of a high standard.

As the employing body for the Gaunless Gateway Big Local Partnership (GGBLP) staff. The Board of Trustees would like to acknowledge the hard work and commitment shown by both members of staff, Barbara Slasor and Susan Graydon.

Although it is always difficult to single out particular funders, the Board of Trustees especially wanted to mention the valued support of the National Lottery Community Fund, the Henry Smith Charity, the Bishop Auckland and Shildon Area Partnership and the Gaunless Gateway Big Local Partnership.

The Board of Trustees would also like to say a big thank you to all of the Centre's other current funders (listed in our financial report) and other organisations who have supported its work over the past 12 months.

The Board of Trustees appreciates the support given to it through other means including the contribution of Simon Healey from Durham Association of Boys and Girls Clubs, Jon Niblo and Gemma Lockyer Turnbull from NE YOUTH.

The Board of Trustees would like to acknowledge the hard work, dedication and commitment given by Raphaela Meucci, during the ongoing review of our Business Plan, and to Trades for Care for overseeing and delivering the redecoration of the Centre.

The Board of Trustees wishes to acknowledge the support given to it by Durham County Council, particularly that given by our two local County Councillors, Joanne Howey and Cathy Hunt.

Finally, the Board of Trustees wishes to thank and recognise the hard work of both Debbie and Anne Ramshaw for overseeing the delivery of the crisis intervention work, across at the Church, which is funded by the National Lottery Community Fund.

Structure, Governance and Management

Legal Status

Auckland Youth and Community Centre is a charitable company. It was incorporated on 6th April 2006 with company number 5772054. It was registered as a charity on 28th February 2007 with charity number 1118157. It is governed by its memorandum and articles of association dated 6th April 2006 and amended 30th January 2007.

Auckland Youth and Community Centre was originally built in 1962, officially opened on the 14th February 1964, as part of Central Government's development of youth facilities (particularly targeting young men) following the publication of the Lady Albemarle Report. The Centre was one of six "Boys' Clubs" in the North East of England. A sports hall extension was added in 1995, funded by the National Lottery.

Auckland Youth and Community Centre Limited is affiliated to the Durham Association of Boys and Girls Clubs, which is affiliated to UK YOUTH and NABGC (The National Association of Boys and Girls Clubs). Auckland Youth and Community Centre Limited is also affiliated to NE YOUTH which is affiliated to UK YOUTH.

Recruitment and Appointment of Trustees

Trustees are made up from residents of the area of benefit known as Woodhouse Close or surrounding area of Bishop Auckland and those with a common interest of the Centre and area.

A trustee is a person proposed by either themselves or another and appointed or elected at an Annual General Meeting, whatever his/her age as long as they are a member of the Centre.

Organisational Structure

The Board of Trustees has overall responsibility for meeting the organisation's legal duties, ensuring that it is properly managed, promoting good practice in all activities and ensuring the quality of all services delivered.

The overall responsibility for the management of the Centre sits with the Board of Trustees. On a day-to-day basis the Delivery Manager, Business Development Manager and the Project Leads will risk assess and identify any health and safety issues. Any such issues are recorded on a Centre Management Log Form. All forms are processed through the Centre Administrator who will initially discuss with one of the two managers and thereafter a nominated member of the Board of Trustees.

The trustees have had regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit throughout the year when deciding on the activities of the charity.

Auckland Youth and Community Centre Limited

Trustees' Annual Report (Incorporating the Director's Report) ***(continued)***

Year Ended 31 March 2023

Reference and Administrative Details

Registered charity name	Auckland Youth and Community Centre Limited
Charity registration number	1118157
Company registration number	5772054
Principal office and registered office	Walker Drive Bishop Auckland County Durham DL14 6QL
The Trustees	
	Mr W W Niblo (Chair) Miss N Kipling Mr G Tomaszko Ms J Drygas Mrs M Carrick Mr S Watson Ms T Cooke (Appointed 6 October 2022)
Company Secretary	Miss N Kipling
Independent Examiner	Jane Ascroft FCA MA (Cantab) Enterprise House Harmire Enterprise Park Barnard Castle County Durham DL12 8XT

Small Company Provisions

This report has been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies entitled to the small companies exemption.

The trustees' annual report was approved on 14.9.2023 and signed on behalf of the board of trustees by:

Nadine Kipling.

Miss N Kipling
Trustee

Auckland Youth and Community Centre Limited

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Auckland Youth and Community Centre Limited

Year Ended 31 March 2023

I report to the trustees on my examination of the financial statements of Auckland Youth and Community Centre Limited ('the charity') for the year ended 31 March 2023.

Responsibilities and Basis of Report

As the trustees of the company (and also its directors for the purposes of company law) you are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements 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 the 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 the charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 your examiner must be a member of a body listed in section 145 of the 2011 Act. I confirm that I am qualified to undertake the examination because I am a member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales (ICAEW), 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 charity as required by section 386 of the 2006 Act; or

2. the financial statements do not accord with those records; or

3. the financial statements 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 financial statements 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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Auckland Youth and Community Centre Limited

Statement of Financial Activities
(including income and expenditure account)

Year Ended 31 March 2023

	Note	2023 Unrestricted funds £	2023 Restricted funds £	2023 **Total funds** £	2022 Total funds £
Income and endowments					
Donations and legacies	**5**	8,368	450,471	**458,839**	371,036
Charitable activities	**6**	10,614	33,086	**43,700**	26,466
Income from investments	**7**	165	–	**165**	17
Other income	**8**	5,000	–	**5,000**	15,936
Total income		24,147	483,557	**507,704**	413,455
Expenditure					
Expenditure on charitable activities	**9,10**	72,877	361,094	**433,971**	418,317
Total expenditure		72,877	361,094	**433,971**	418,317
Net income/(expenditure)		(48,730)	122,463	**73,733**	(4,862)
Transfers between funds		45,349	(45,349)	–	–
Net movement in funds		(3,381)	77,114	**73,733**	(4,862)
Reconciliation of funds					
Total funds brought forward		121,244	126,467	**247,711**	252,573
Total funds carried forward		117,863	203,581	**321,444**	247,711

The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year.
All income and expenditure derive from continuing activities.

The notes on pages 16 to 37 form part of these financial statements.

Auckland Youth and Community Centre Limited

Statement of Financial Position

31 March 2023

	Note	2023 £	£	2022 £
Fixed Assets				
Tangible fixed assets	16		34,822	38,997
Current Assets				
Debtors	17	4,594		4,451
Cash at bank and in hand		285,920		216,866
		290,514		221,317
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	18	3,892		12,603
Net Current Assets			286,622	208,714
Total Assets Less Current Liabilities			321,444	247,711
Funds of the Charity				
Restricted funds			203,581	126,467
Unrestricted funds			117,863	121,244
Total charity funds	20		321,444	247,711

For the year ending 31 March 2023 the charity was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

Directors' responsibilities:

- The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year in question in accordance with section 476;
- The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and the preparation of financial statements.

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

These financial statements were approved by the board of trustees and authorised for issue on 14.9.2023, and are signed on behalf of the board by:

W. Niblo

Mr W W Niblo (Chair)
Trustee

The notes on pages 16 to 37 form part of these financial statements.

Auckland Youth and Community Centre Limited

Statement of Cash Flows

Year Ended 31 March 2023

	2023 £	2022 £
Cash Flows from Operating Activities		
Net income/(expenditure)	**73,733**	(4,862)
Adjustments for:		
Depreciation of tangible fixed assets	**4,175**	4,368
Other interest receivable and similar income	**(165)**	(17)
Changes in:		
Trade and other debtors	**(143)**	(154)
Trade and other creditors	**(8,711)**	2,166
Cash generated from operations	**68,889**	1,501
Interest received	**165**	17
Net cash from operating activities	**69,054**	1,518
Net Increase in Cash and Cash Equivalents	**69,054**	1,518
Cash and Cash Equivalents at Beginning of Year	**216,866**	215,348
Cash and Cash Equivalents at End of Year	**285,920**	216,866

The notes on pages 16 to 37 form part of these financial statements.

Auckland Youth and Community Centre Limited

Notes to the Financial Statements

Year Ended 31 March 2023

1. General Information

The charity is a public benefit entity and a private company limited by guarantee, registered in England and Wales and a registered charity in England and Wales. The address of the registered office is Walker Drive, Bishop Auckland, County Durham, DL14 6QL.

2. Statement of Compliance

These financial statements have been prepared in compliance with FRS 102, 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and the Republic of Ireland', the 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) (Charities SORP (FRS 102)) and the Companies Act 2006.

3. Accounting Policies

Basis of Preparation

The financial statements have been prepared on the historical cost basis, as modified by the revaluation of certain financial assets and liabilities and investments measured at fair value through income or expenditure.

The financial statements are prepared in sterling, which is the functional currency of the entity.

The entity is a Public Benefit Entity.

Going Concern

There are no material uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue.

Judgements and Key Sources of Estimation Uncertainty

The preparation of the financial statements requires management to make judgements, estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts reported. These estimates and judgements are continually reviewed and are based on experience and other factors, including expectations of future events that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances. The trustees consider that there are no significant estimates or judgements affecting these financial statements.

Fund Accounting

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of the purposes of the charity.

Designated funds are unrestricted funds earmarked by the trustees for specific purposes.

Restricted funds are subjected to restrictions on their expenditure imposed by the donor.

3. Accounting Policies *(continued)*

Income

All income is included in the statement of financial activities when the charity is entitled to the income, any performance related conditions attached have been met or are fully within the control of the charity, the income is considered probable and the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy. The following specific policies are applied to particular categories of income:

Donations and legacy income is received by way of donations, legacies, grants and gifts and is included in full in the Statement of Financial Activities when receivable. Where legacies have been notified to the charity but the criteria for income recognition have not been met, the legacy is treated as a contingent asset and disclosed if material. Grants, where entitlement is not conditional on the delivery of a specific performance by the charity, are recognised when the charity becomes unconditionally entitled to the grant.

Donated services and facilities are included at the value to the charity, being the amount the charity would have been willing to pay to obtain services or facilities of equivalent economic benefit on the open market.

Investment income is included when receivable.

Income from charitable trading activity is accounted for when earned.

Income from grants, where related to performance and specific deliverables, are accounted for as the charity earns the right to consideration by its performance.

Expenditure

Expenditure is recognised on an accruals basis as a liability is incurred. Expenditure includes any VAT which cannot be fully recovered, and is reported as part of the expenditure to which it relates:

Costs of raising funds comprise the costs associated with attracting donations, grants and legacies and the costs of trading for fundraising purposes.

Charitable expenditure comprises those costs incurred by the charity in the delivery of its activities and services for its beneficiaries. It includes both costs that can be allocated directly to such activities and those costs of an indirect nature necessary to support them.

Other expenditure includes all expenditure that is neither related to raising funds for the charity nor part of its expenditure on charitable activities.

All costs are allocated between the expenditure categories of the SOFA on a basis designed to reflect the use of the resource. Costs relating to a particular activity are allocated directly, others are apportioned on an appropriate basis, as set out in the notes to the accounts.

Tangible Assets

Fixed assets are stated at cost less accumulated depreciation. The costs of minor additions or those costing below £500 are not capitalised.

3. Accounting Policies *(continued)*

Depreciation

Depreciation is calculated so as to write off the cost or valuation of an asset, less its residual value, over the useful economic life of that asset as follows:

Leasehold Property	-	Straight line over the lease term
Equipment	-	15% reducing balance

Impairment of Fixed Assets

A review for indicators of impairment is carried out at each reporting date, with the recoverable amount being estimated where such indicators exist. Where the carrying value exceeds the recoverable amount, the asset is impaired accordingly. Prior impairments are also reviewed for possible reversal at each reporting date.

For the purposes of impairment testing, when it is not possible to estimate the recoverable amount of an individual asset, an estimate is made of the recoverable amount of the cash-generating unit to which the asset belongs. The cash-generating unit is the smallest identifiable group of assets that includes the asset and generates cash inflows that largely independent of the cash inflows from other assets or groups of assets.

For impairment testing of goodwill, the goodwill acquired in a business combination is, from the acquisition date, allocated to each of the cash-generating units that are expected to benefit from the synergies of the combination, irrespective of whether other assets or liabilities of the charity are assigned to those units.

Financial Instruments

The charity only has financial assets and liabilities of a kind that qualify as basic financial instruments. Basic financial instruments are initially recognised at transaction value and subsequently measured at their settlement value.

Defined Contribution Plans

Contributions to defined contribution plans are recognised as an expense in the period in which the related service is provided. Prepaid contributions are recognised as an asset to the extent that the prepayment will lead to a reduction in future payments or a cash refund.

When contributions are not expected to be settled wholly within 12 months of the end of the reporting date in which the employees render the related service, the liability is measured on a discounted present value basis. The unwinding of the discount is recognised as an expense in the period in which it arises.

Debtors

Trade and other debtors are recognised at the settlement amount due after any trade discount offered. Prepayments are valued at the amount prepaid net of any trade discounts due.

Accrued income and tax recoverable is included at the best estimate of the amounts receivable at the balance sheet date.

Cash at Bank and in Hand

Cash at bank and cash in hand includes cash and short term highly liquid investments with a short maturity of three months or less from the date of acquisition or opening of the deposit or similar account.

Creditors

Creditors are recognised where the charity has a present obligation resulting from a past event that will probably result in the transfer of funds to a third party and the amount due to settle the obligation can be measured or estimated reliably. Creditors are normally recognised at their settlement amount after allowing for any trade discounts due.

Taxation

The company is considered to pass the tests set out in Paragraph 1 Schedule 6 of the Finance Act 2010 and therefore it meets the definition of a charitable company for UK corporation tax purposes. Accordingly, the company is potentially exempt from taxation in respect of income or capital gains received within categories covered by Chapter 3 Part 11 of the Corporation Tax Act 2010 or Section 256 of the taxation of Chargeable Gains Act 1992, to the extent that such income or gains are applied exclusively to charitable purposes.

4. Limited by Guarantee

The company is limited by guarantee. At 31st March 2023 there were 7 members each of whom had undertaken to contribute an amount not exceeding £1 in the event of a winding up.

5. Donations and Legacies

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	**Total Funds 2023 £**
Donations			
Donations	888	–	**888**
Fundraising	4,076	–	**4,076**

5. Donations and Legacies *(continued)*

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	**Total Funds 2023 £**
Grants			
Bishop Auckland & Shildon Area Action Partnership	–	89,228	**89,228**
Henry Smith Charity	–	60,000	**60,000**
National Lottery Community Fund	–	93,605	**93,605**
Garfield Weston	–	25,000	**25,000**
County Durham Community Foundation	–	9,000	**9,000**
Happiness Hub Fund	–	7,344	**7,344**
Durham County Council	1,000	–	**1,000**
NE Youth (Kickstart)	2,404	–	**2,404**
South Durham Enterprise Agency (Gaunless Gateway Big Local)	–	73,782	**73,782**
Shildon Youth Initiative	–	14,000	**14,000**
The Youth Endowment Fund	–	10,151	**10,151**
Virgin Community Anchors Fund	–	15,000	**15,000**
West Auckland Youth Initiative	–	6,761	**6,761**
Community Foundation Tyne & Wear and Northumberland - Volunteering Project Fund	–	15,000	**15,000**
Other grants	–	16,600	**16,600**
Sponsorship			
Ballinger Trust	–	10,000	**10,000**
Co Durham Sport Together Fund	–	5,000	**5,000**
	8,368	450,471	**458,839**

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2022 £
Donations			
Donations	547	–	547
Fundraising	1,885	–	1,885

5. Donations and Legacies *(continued)*

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2022 £
Grants			
Bishop Auckland & Shildon Area Action Partnership	–	23,526	23,526
Henry Smith Charity	–	50,350	50,350
National Lottery Community Fund	–	105,372	105,372
County Durham Community Foundation	–	7,500	7,500
Trusthouse Charitable Foundation	–	10,000	10,000
National Lottery Awards For All	–	9,290	9,290
Gaunless Gateway Big Local	3,869	10,000	13,869
Durham County Council	2,987	2,000	4,987
NE Youth (Kickstart)	18,440	–	18,440
Community Foundation Tyne & Wear and Northumberland - 1989 Willan Charitable trust	–	10,000	10,000
South Durham Enterprise Agency (Gaunless Gateway Big Local)	–	63,376	63,376
Virgin Community Anchors Fund	–	8,000	8,000
West Auckland Youth Initiative	–	12,500	12,500
Community Foundation Tyne & Wear and Northumberland - Volunteering Project Fund	–	15,000	15,000
Other grants	3,564	12,830	16,394
	31,292	339,744	371,036

6. Charitable Activities

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	**Total Funds 2023 £**
Room hire	4,788	–	**4,788**
Other Centre income	2,612	–	**2,612**
After Schools	693	13,000	**13,693**
Challenge and Support Project	1,892	–	**1,892**
Playbus	–	10,000	**10,000**
Disability Group	120	2,000	**2,120**
Henknowle	–	5,539	**5,539**
West Auckland Youth Initiative	–	2,466	**2,466**
Other project income	509	81	**590**
	10,614	33,086	**43,700**

6. Charitable Activities *(continued)*

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2022 £
Room hire	6,024	–	6,024
Other Centre income	1,728	1,485	3,213
After Schools	10,243	–	10,243
Playbus	–	2,390	2,390
Henknowle	–	4,596	4,596
	17,995	8,471	26,466

7. Income from Investments

	Unrestricted Funds £	**Total Funds 2023 £**	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2022 £
Bank interest receivable	165	**165**	17	17

8. Other Income

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	**Total Funds 2023 £**
Employment allowance	5,000	–	**5,000**
	5,000	–	**5,000**

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2022 £
Employment allowance	4,000	–	4,000
HMRC Job Retention Scheme	–	1,269	1,269
DCC Covid Support	2,667	8,000	10,667
	6,667	9,269	15,936

9. Expenditure on Charitable Activities by Fund Type

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	**Total Funds 2023 £**
Centre costs	48,679	–	**48,679**
Playbus	–	5,548	**5,548**
National Lottery Community Fund - Widening Horizons	–	64,445	**64,445**
Gaunless Gateway Big Local	–	53,985	**53,985**
Henry Smith Strengthening Communities/Covid support	–	70,062	**70,062**
After Schools	4,242	13,000	**17,242**
National Lottery Awards For All	–	22,465	**22,465**
NLCF Building Community Resilience	–	9,290	**9,290**
The Youth Endowment Fund	–	7,314	**7,314**
Holiday Activities	–	28,708	**28,708**
West Auckland Youth Initiative	–	11,066	**11,066**
Shildon Youth Initiative	–	5,150	**5,150**
NE Youth Alliance	–	5,000	**5,000**
Henknowle	–	5,539	**5,539**
CFTWN Volunteering Project Fund	–	11,949	**11,949**
CFTWN 1989 Willan Charitable trust	–	9,229	**9,229**
AAP Detached/AYCC Youth Work	8,520	4,530	**13,050**
CDCF Joy Allen DP&CC CS Fund	–	4,026	**4,026**
Virgin	–	9,077	**9,077**
Other project costs	11,436	20,711	**32,147**
	72,877	361,094	**433,971**

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2022 £
Centre costs	74,040	15,161	89,201
Playbus	–	11,311	11,311
National Lottery Community Fund - Widening Horizons	–	100,238	100,238
Gaunless Gateway Big Local	–	50,244	50,244
Henry Smith Strengthening Communities/Covid support	–	62,105	62,105
After Schools	10,664	–	10,664
Holiday Activities	–	22,999	22,999
PCVC Community Safety	–	10,000	10,000
Henknowle	–	5,045	5,045
AAP Detached/AYCC Youth Work	–	15,910	15,910
Other project costs	2,820	37,780	40,600
	87,524	330,793	418,317

10. Expenditure on Charitable Activities by Activity Type

	Activities undertaken directly £	**Total funds 2023 £**	Total fund 2022 £
Centre costs	48,679	**48,679**	89,201
Playbus	5,548	**5,548**	11,311
National Lottery Community Fund - Widening Horizons	64,445	**64,445**	100,238
Gaunless Gateway Big Local	53,985	**53,985**	50,244
Henry Smith Strengthening Communities/Covid support	70,062	**70,062**	62,105
After Schools	17,242	**17,242**	10,664
National Lottery Awards For All	22,465	**22,465**	–
NLCF Building Community Resilience	9,290	**9,290**	–
The Youth Endowment Fund	7,314	**7,314**	–
Holiday Activities	28,708	**28,708**	22,999
West Auckland Youth Initiative	11,066	**11,066**	–
Shildon Youth Initiative	5,150	**5,150**	–
PCVC Community Safety	–	–	10,000
NE Youth Alliance	5,000	**5,000**	–
Henknowle	5,539	**5,539**	5,045
CFTWN Volunteering Project Fund	11,949	**11,949**	–
CFTWN 1989 Willan Charitable trust	9,229	**9,229**	–
AAP Detached/AYCC Youth Work	13,050	**13,050**	15,910
CDCF Joy Allen DP&CC CS Fund	4,026	**4,026**	–
Virgin	9,077	**9,077**	–
Other project costs	32,147	**32,147**	40,600
	433,971	**433,971**	418,317

11. Net Income/(Expenditure)

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

	2023 £	2022 £
Depreciation of tangible fixed assets	**4,175**	4,368

12. Independent Examination Fees

	2023 £	2022 £
Fees payable to the independent examiner for:		
Independent examination of the financial statements	**756**	720

13. Staff Costs and Emoluments

The total staff costs and employee benefits for the reporting period are analysed as follows:

	2023	2022
	£	£
Wages and salaries	**270,199**	277,414
Social security costs	**19,818**	17,326
Employer contributions to pension plans	**5,195**	5,075
	295,212	299,815

The average head count of employees during the year was 22 (2022: 26). The average number of full-time equivalent employees during the year is analysed as follows:

	2023	2022
	No.	No.
Number of management staff	**3**	3
Number of Centre staff	**2**	2
Number of project staff	**7**	8
	12	13

No employee received employee benefits of more than £60,000 during the year (2022: Nil).

Key Management Personnel

Key management personnel include all persons that have authority and responsibility for planning, directing and controlling the activities of the charity. The total compensation paid to key management personnel for services provided to the charity was £56,664 (2022:£90,175).

14. Trustee Remuneration and Expenses

No trustees received remuneration during the year (2022 - Nil).

During the year 1 trustee was reimbursed expenses totalling £992 (2022 - 2 trustees received a total of £2,046).

15. Transfers Between Funds

During the year £45,349 was transferred from restricted to unrestricted funds. This comprised:

	2023
	£
Centre cost contributions from projects	**50,332**
Contribution to Building Community resilience fund from reserves	**(13,000)**
Room hire paid by projects	**5,088**
Payroll fees paid by projects	**543**
Contributions to detached YW fund	**2,386**
	45,349

16. Tangible Fixed Assets

	Long leasehold property £	Equipment £	**Total £**
Cost			
At 1 April 2022 and 31 March 2023	77,165	88,583	**165,748**
Depreciation			
At 1 April 2022	45,424	81,327	**126,751**
Charge for the year	3,087	1,088	**4,175**
At 31 March 2023	48,511	82,415	**130,926**
Carrying amount			
At 31 March 2023	28,654	6,168	**34,822**
At 31 March 2022	31,741	7,256	38,997

17. Debtors

	2023 £	2022 £
Trade debtors	**65**	75
Prepayments and accrued income	**4,529**	4,376
	4,594	4,451

18. Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2023 £	2022 £
Creditors and accruals	**3,892**	12,603

19. Pensions and Other Post Retirement Benefits

Defined contribution plans

The amount recognised in income or expenditure as an expense in relation to defined contribution plans was £5,195 (2022: £5,075).

20. Analysis of Charitable Funds

Unrestricted funds

	At 1 April 2022 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfers £	**At 31 March 2023 £**
General Fund	23,740	20,933	(44,504)	42,513	**42,682**
Capital Fund	38,997	–	(4,175)	–	**34,822**
Redundancy Fund	21,453	–	–	450	**21,903**
Disability Group	5,058	120	(1,073)	–	**4,105**
After Schools	7,037	693	(4,241)	902	**4,391**
Challenge & Support Group	10,245	1,892	(7,285)	65	**4,917**

Girls' Friendly Society	65	–	–	(65)	–
Stay 'n' Play	902	–	–	(902)	–
AYCC Training	5,750	–	(2,101)	–	**3,649**
Craft & Support Project	1,550	509	(978)	313	**1,394**
Detached youth Work	6,134	–	(8,520)	2,386	–
Pick N Mix group	313	–	–	(313)	–
	121,244	24,147	(72,877)	45,349	**117,863**

	At 1 April 2021 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfers £	At 31 March 2022 £
General Fund	21,080	43,347	(69,671)	28,984	23,740
Capital Fund	43,365	–	(4,368)	–	38,997
Redundancy Fund	9,728	–	–	11,725	21,453
Disability Group	1,478	463	(145)	3,262	5,058
After Schools	3,807	10,243	(10,665)	3,652	7,037
Challenge & Support Group	4,840	118	(2,675)	7,962	10,245
Girls' Friendly Society	65	–	–	–	65
Stay 'n' Play	902	–	–	–	902
AYCC Training	–	1,750	–	4,000	5,750
Craft & Support Project	–	50	–	1,500	1,550
Detached youth Work	–	–	–	6,134	6,134
Pick N Mix group	–	–	–	313	313
	85,265	55,971	(87,524)	67,532	121,244

20. Analysis of Charitable Funds *(continued)*

Designated funds are for the following purposes:

After Schools - This fund comprises fee income from participants in the After Schools Club, and it is to be spent on After Schools provision.

Challenge & Support Project - This fund comprises fee income from participants in the Challenge & Support Project and it is to be spent on the same.

Craft & Support Project - This fund comprises fee income from participants in the Craft & Support Project and it is to be spent on the same.

Disability Group - This fund comprises fee income from participants in the Disability Group and it is to be spent on the same.

Girls Friendly Society Group - This fund comprises fee income from participants in the Girls Friendly Society and it is to be spent on the same.

Pick "N" Mix Group - This fund comprises fee income from users of the Pick "N" Mix Group provision, and it is to be spent on the same.

Stay & Play Project - This fund comprises fee income from participants in the Stay & Play Project and it is to be spent on the same.

Contingency Fund - This fund comprises money set aside for redundancies.

Training Fund - This fund comprises money set aside for training for staff, volunteers and trustees.

Capital - This fund contains all the fixed assets.

20. Analysis of Charitable Funds *(continued)*

Restricted funds

	At 1 April 2022 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfers £	**At 31 March 2023 £**
NLCF Widening Horizons	14,302	53,145	(64,447)	(3,000)	**–**
Bishop Auckland & Shildon AAP Detached Youth Work	4,530	–	(4,530)	–	**–**
Henknowle	–	5,539	(5,539)	–	**–**
Playbus	4,570	10,000	(5,548)	–	**9,022**
Henry Smith Charity - Covid 19	11,902	–	(11,902)	–	**–**
Henry Smith Charity - Strengthening Communities	–	60,000	(58,160)	(1,840)	**–**
National Lottery Awards For All	9,290	–	(9,290)	–	**–**
Holiday Activities Fund	–	29,990	(28,707)	–	**1,283**
WAYI Gaunless Gateway	9,081	577	(5,434)	(459)	**3,765**
NE Youth	–	5,000	(5,000)	–	**–**
Scholefield Trust	–	600	(410)	–	**190**
Garfield Weston	–	25,000	(1,750)	(19,750)	**3,500**
Gaunless Gateway Big Local	35,255	73,322	(53,983)	(16,512)	**38,082**
AYCC Satellite Project No. 3	740	–	–	(740)	**–**
AYCC Shildon Satellite Project	1,646	–	–	(1,646)	**–**

20. Analysis of Charitable Funds *(continued)*

British & Foreign Schools Society	–	2,500	(2,500)	–	–
CDCF Arquiva grant	–	–	–	–	–
CDCF CG funding programme	5,000	–	(750)	(4,250)	–
CDCF Storm Arwen grant	1,000	–	–	(1,000)	–
Community Foundation Tyne & Wear and Northumberland - 1989 Willan Charitable Trust	10,000	–	(9,230)	(770)	–
Community Foundation Tyne & Wear and Northumberland - Newcastle Building Society	3,000	–	(3,000)	–	–
Community Foundation Tyne & Wear and Northumberland - Volunteering Project Fund	15,000	15,000	(11,949)	–	**18,051**
Durham Youth Conferences grant	–	2,000	(1,072)	(928)	–
Virgin Community Anchors Fund	–	15,000	(9,077)	(2,923)	**3,000**
Youth Focus NE (The Youth Endowment Fund)	1,151	10,151	(7,314)	(3,988)	–
AYCC Building Community Resilience	–	–	–	13,000	**13,000**
AAP Delivery Manager Fund	–	59,238	(3,240)	–	**55,998**
Ballinger Charitable Trust	–	10,000	–	–	**10,000**
CDCF Joy Allen DP&CC CS Fund	–	7,500	(4,026)	–	**3,474**
CDCF Warm Spaces	–	1,500	(1,500)	–	–
CFTWN NBS Queen's Platinum Jubilee	–	1,500	(1,500)	–	–
Co Durham Sport Together Fund	–	5,000	–	–	**5,000**
Happiness Hub Fund	–	7,344	(2,490)	–	**4,854**
NLCF Building Community Resilience	–	40,460	(22,464)	–	**17,996**
Netherton Park Trust	–	5,000	–	–	**5,000**
Shildon Youth Initiative	–	14,000	(5,150)	(543)	**8,307**

20. Analysis of Charitable Funds *(continued)*

WAYI General Fund	–	1,890	(376)	–	**1,514**
WAYI Teesdale STYC	–	6,761	(5,256)	–	**1,505**
Masonic Charitable Foundation	–	5,000	(5,000)	–	–
Barbour Foundation	–	10,000	(10,000)	–	–
Craft & Support Project	–	500	(500)	–	–
Men Cave Project	–	40	–	–	**40**
	126,467	483,557	(361,094)	(45,349)	**203,581**

	At 1 April 2021 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfers £	At 31 March 2022 £
NLCF Widening Horizons	28,933	105,372	(100,238)	(19,765)	14,302
Bishop Auckland & Shildon AAP Detached Youth Work	27,212	–	(15,910)	(6,772)	4,530
CDCF After Schools grant	1,392	–	(1,392)	–	–
CDCF Covid 19 Sustainability grant	1,350	–	(100)	(1,250)	–
AAP AYCC Disability Project	1,420	–	(1,420)	–	–
Trusthouse Charitable Foundation	–	10,000	(10,000)	–	–
Henknowle	–	5,045	(5,045)	–	–
Playbus	2,671	13,210	(11,311)	–	4,570
Pick 'n' Mix Group	313	–	–	(313)	–
AYCC Covid 19 Response Sessions	3,518	–	(3,518)	–	–
DCC Neighbourhood Budget	1,059	–	(1,059)	–	–
Gaunless Gateway Intergenerational project	579	–	(579)	–	–
Henry Smith Charity - Covid 19	21,219	34,100	(43,417)	–	11,902
Henry Smith Charity - Strengthening Communities	16,250	16,250	(18,688)	(13,812)	–
National Lottery Awards For All	–	9,290	–	–	9,290
Holiday Activities Fund	366	24,576	(23,000)	(1,942)	–
SCYPAN Detached Youth Work	639	–	(639)	–	–
Streetgames Project No. 1	1,865	–	(1,365)	(500)	–
Streetgames Project No. 2	423	–	–	(423)	–
Sport England fund	2,288	–	(1,008)	(1,280)	–

20. Analysis of Charitable Funds *(continued)*

WAYI Gaunless Gateway	4,265	12,500	(7,684)	–	9,081
Sir James Knott Foundation	5,772	–	(5,772)	–	–
NE Youth	400	–	(790)	390	–
Scholefield Trust	1,000	–	(1,000)	–	–
Garfield Weston	7,304	–	(3,761)	(3,543)	–
Gaunless Gateway Big Local	22,121	63,376	(50,242)	–	35,255
AYCC Satellite Project No. 3	1,949	–	(1,209)	–	740
AYCC Shildon Satellite Project	3,000	–	(1,354)	–	1,646
PCVC's Community Safety Fund	10,000	–	(10,000)	–	–
British & Foreign Schools Society	–	5,000	(5,000)	–	–
CDCF Arquiva grant	–	1,500	–	(1,500)	–
CDCF CG funding programme	–	5,000	–	–	5,000
CDCF Storm Arwen grant	–	1,000	–	–	1,000
Community Foundation Tyne & Wear and Northumberland - 1989 Willan Charitable Trust	–	10,000	–	–	10,000
Community Foundation Tyne & Wear and Northumberland - Newcastle Building Society	–	3,000	–	–	3,000

20. Analysis of Charitable Funds *(continued)*

Community Foundation Tyne & Wear and Northumberland - Volunteering Project Fund	–	15,000	–	–	15,000
DCC Covid-19 support grant	–	8,000	–	(8,000)	–
Durham Youth Conferences grant	–	2,000	(2,000)	–	–
SCYPAN Holiday Sessions	–	435	(435)	–	–
Virgin Community Anchors Fund	–	8,000	(1,400)	(6,600)	–
Youth Focus NE (The Youth Endowment Fund)	–	4,830	(1,457)	(2,222)	1,151
	167,308	357,484	(330,793)	(67,532)	126,467

20. Analysis of Charitable Funds *(continued)*

AYCC Building Community Resilience - This fund is match funding from Centre Reserves for National Lottery Community Fund Building Community Resilience Project.

Barbour Foundation - This grant is towards staffing costs, activities costs and healthy snacks for our After Schools Project and Disability Group.

Bishop Auckland and Shildon Area Action Partnership - BASH AAP (Detached Youth Work Project) - This grant is towards a detached youth work project across the area covered by Bishop Auckland and Shildon Area, specifically targeting young people who are not currently engaging in services and/or causing anti-social behaviour.

BASH AAP (Delivery Manager Fund) - Funding for the Delivery Manager Post for National Lottery Community Fund Building Community Resilience Project.

Ballinger Charitable Trust - This grant is to extend our delivery program in West Auckland.

British & Foreign Schools Society (After Schools) - This grant is towards staffing costs, activities costs and snacks for our After Schools Project.

County Durham Sport (AYCC Satellite Project No 3) - This grant is to support children and young people who are classed as inactive with sport/fitness sessions and to try and reengage.

County Durham Sport (AYCC Shildon Satellite Project) - This grant is to support children and young people who are classed as inactive with sport/fitness sessions and to try and reengage specifically targeting those who live in Shildon, County Durham.

County Durham Community Foundation (Arqiva Grant) - This grant is to support local residents effected by the Bilsdale transmitter fire in the summer of 2021.

County Durham Community Foundation (After Schools) - This grant is towards staffing costs, activities costs and snacks for our After Schools Project.

County Durham Community Foundation (Community Grants Funding Programme Grant) - This grant is towards core running costs and publicity costs for the organisation.

County Durham Community Foundation (Covid-19 Sustainability Grant) - This grant is towards the purchasing of PPE for the centre. Also support costs towards hiring of additional tutors, volunteer expenses and centre running costs.

County Durham Community Foundation (Police, Crime & Victims' Commissioner (PCVC) - Community Safety Fund) This grant is towards a detached youth work project across Woodhouse Close estate, specifically targeting young people who are not currently engaging in services.

County Durham Community Foundation (Storm Arwen Grant) - This grant is towards core running costs for the organisation.

County Durham Community Foundation (Warm Spaces Grant) - This grant provided warm and comfortable place for residents of Woodhouse Close Estate.

Community Foundation Tyne & Wear and Northumberland (The 1989 Willan Charitable Trust Grant) - This grant is towards core running costs for the organisation.

Community Fund Tyne & Wear and Northumberland (Newcastle Building Society Community Grant) - This grant is towards supporting young people's employability skills and to be used in the delivery of employability support relating to courses and training.

20. Analysis of Charitable Funds *(continued)*

Community Fund Tyne & Wear and Northumberland (Newcastle Building Society Community Grant) Queen's Platinum Jubilee This funding was for celebration event for residents of Woodhouse Close Estate and the surrounding area.

Community Fund Tyne & Wear and Northumberland (Volunteering Project Grant) - This grant is to employ a Volunteer Coordinator to work with volunteers to improve their skills and the work of the organisation.

County Durham Sport Together Fund This grant is to provide subsidies for rental of premises for sporting activities.

Detached Youth Work - This fund comprises of income generated towards a detached youth work project across the area covered by Bishop Auckland and Shildon Area Action Partnership.

Durham County Council Neighbourhood Budget (AYCC Covid-19 Response Sessions) - This grant is towards additional support sessions for children 4-10-year-olds and additional sessions of our Craft and Support Project. This is due to limited numbers in original sessions due to restrictions.

Durham County Council Neighbourhood Budget (Improving Facilities At AYCC) - This grant is towards installing two new radiators in the large drop in area and to purchase a fridge, microwave and kitchen utensils.

Durham County Council (Durham Countywide Youth Network Conferences Grant) - This grant was awarded to AYCC as a host organisation to support the running and development of the Durham Youth Network Conference 2022.

Garfield Weston Foundation - This grant is towards core running costs for the organisation.

Gaunless Gateway (Big Local Agreement) - This grant is to allow AYCC to employee two workers from the Gaunless Gateway Big Local for a period of 2 years.

Gaunless Gateway (Intergenerational Project) - This grant is towards the delivery of an intergenerational project.

Happiness Hub Fund (Man Cave Group) - This grant funds the Men's Group health and wellbeing and activities.

Henry Smith Charity (Covid-19 Grant - AYCC Better Connections Project) - This grant was for a digital inclusion project, which will provide a range of online support services and weekly in person IT training sessions for disadvantaged individuals impacted by COVID-19.

Henry Smith Charity (Strengthening Communities Grant) - This grant is for centre core running costs, specifically contributions towards the salaries of the Administration Worker and Cleaner.

BASH AAP Holiday Activities Fund - This fund is for various grants received to support children and their families across the area to food and activity packs during school holidays periods.

Masonic Charitable Foundation - This grant is towards staffing costs, activities costs and healthy snacks for our After Schools Project.

National Lottery Awards For All (Family Intervention and Support Programme Grant) - This grant is to pay sessional workers to support families on Woodhouse Close Estate.

National Lottery Community Fund (Building Community Resilience) - This funding is to extend our work following the successful Widening Horizons Project and Crisis Intervention work.

20. Analysis of Charitable Funds *(continued)*

National Lottery Community Fund (Widening Horizons' Project) - This grant is to deliver the Widening Horizons Project over a three-year period (2019-22), to support people living on the Woodhouse Close Estate and the surrounding area with projects and activities based around four key outcomes.

Netherton Park Trust - (After Schools) This grant is towards staffing costs, activities costs and healthy snacks for our After Schools Project.

North East Youth Alliance
This grant is funding for youth work in the South Durham area.

NE Youth Limited (Healthy & Happy Project) - This grant is to allow young people to create scrapbooks of their experiences during the COVID 19 pandemic.

Scholefield Trust - This grant is for activities for children and young people.

Shildon Children and Young People's Action Network (SCYPAN)Detached - This grant is towards a detached youth work project across Shildon, specifically targeting young people who are not currently engaging in services.

Shildon Children and Young People's Action Network (SCYPAN) Holiday Sessions - This grant is towards holiday sessions across Shildon, specifically targeting young people who are not currently engaging in services.

Shildon Youth Initiative This grant is for a youth project based in Shildon.

Sir James Knott - This grant is for specifically contributions towards the salaries of the Community Development Worker at the centre.

Sport England's Tackling Inequalities - This grant is towards the purchasing of PPE for the centre. Also support costs towards hiring of additional tutors, volunteer expenses and centre running costs. This grant also allowed for us to have reduced rates for returning groups who wish to hire our centre.

Street Games (Project No 1) - This grant is for the Street Games project which meets once a week on Woodhouse Close Estate to combat anti-social behaviour in the community during the summer months.

Street Games (Project No 2) - This grant is for the Street Games project which meets once a week on Woodhouse Close Estate to combat anti-social behaviour in the community during the winter months.

Trusthouse Charitable Foundation - This grant is for centre running costs, specifically contributions towards the salaries of the Administration Worker and Cleaner.

Virgin Money Foundation Community Anchors' Fund This grant is towards core running costs for the organisation.

West Auckland Youth Initiative Project (Gaunless Gateway Fund) - This grant is towards a youth work project across West Auckland, specifically targeting young people who are not currently engaging in services.

West Auckland Youth Initiative Project (General Fund) - This fund is towards a youth work project across West Auckland, specifically targeting young people who are not currently engaging in services.

20. Analysis of Charitable Funds *(continued)*

West Auckland Youth Initiative Project (Teesdale Stronger Together Youth Collective Fund) - This grant is towards a youth work project across West Auckland, specifically targeting young people who are not currently engaging in services.

The Youth Endowment Fund (Peer Research & Social Action Network Project) - This grant is to support a peer research young person to work on issues in the area.

Henknowle - This fund is for the caretaker's salary at Henknowle Community Centre.

Playbus - This grant allows us to deliver this project which is a fully fitted mobile soft play area that can be used for children's activities, community events, and private parties and also be used as a tool for engagement.

21. Analysis of Net Assets Between Funds

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	**Total Funds 2023 £**
Tangible fixed assets	34,822	–	**34,822**
Current Assets	86,933	203,581	**290,514**
Creditors less than 1 year	(3,892)	–	**(3,892)**
Net assets	117,863	203,581	**321,444**

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2022 £
Tangible fixed assets	38,997	–	38,997
Current Assets	94,850	126,467	221,317
Creditors less than 1 year	(12,603)	–	(12,603)
Net assets	121,244	126,467	247,711

22. Analysis of Changes in Net Debt

	At 1 Apr 2022 £	Cash flows £	**At 31 Mar 2023 £**
Cash at bank and in hand	216,866	69,054	**285,920**

23. Operating Lease Commitments

The total future minimum lease payments under non-cancellable operating leases are as follows:

	2023 £	2022 £
Not later than 1 year	**4,458**	4,458
Later than 1 year and not later than 5 years	**1,462**	5,098
	5,920	9,556

Auckland Youth and Community Centre Limited

Management Information

Year Ended 31 March 2023

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Detailed Statement of Financial Activities

Year Ended 31 March 2023

	2023 £	2022 £
Income and endowments		
Donations and legacies		
Donations	**888**	547
Fundraising	**4,076**	1,885
Bishop Auckland & Shildon Area Action Partnership	**89,228**	23,526
Henry Smith Charity	**60,000**	50,350
National Lottery Community Fund	**93,605**	105,372
Garfield Weston	**25,000**	–
County Durham Community Foundation	**9,000**	7,500
Trusthouse Charitable Foundation	–	10,000
National Lottery Awards For All	–	9,290
Happiness Hub Fund	**7,344**	–
Gaunless Gateway Big Local	–	13,869
Durham County Council	**1,000**	4,987
NE Youth (Kickstart)	**2,404**	18,440
Community Foundation Tyne & Wear and Northumberland - 1989 Willan Charitable trust	–	10,000
South Durham Enterprise Agency (Gaunless Gateway Big Local)	**73,782**	63,376
Shildon Youth Initiative	**14,000**	–
The Youth Endowment Fund	**10,151**	–
Virgin Community Anchors Fund	**15,000**	8,000
West Auckland Youth Initiative	**6,761**	12,500
Community Foundation Tyne & Wear and Northumberland - Volunteering Project Fund	**15,000**	15,000
Other grants	**16,600**	16,394
Ballinger Trust	**10,000**	–
Co Durham Sport Together Fund	**5,000**	–
	458,839	371,036
Charitable activities		
Room hire	**4,788**	6,024
Other Centre income	**2,612**	3,213
After Schools	**13,693**	10,243
Challenge and Support Project	**1,892**	–
Playbus	**10,000**	2,390
Disability Group	**2,120**	–
Henknowle	**5,539**	4,596
West Auckland Youth Initiative	**2,466**	–
Carried forward	**(43,110)**	(26,466)

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Detailed Statement of Financial Activities *(continued)*

Year Ended 31 March 2023

	2023 £	2022 £
Brought forward	(43,110)	(26,466)
Other project income	**590**	–
	43,700	26,466
Income from investments		
Bank interest receivable	**165**	17
Other income		
Employment allowance	**5,000**	4,000
HMRC Job Retention Scheme	**–**	1,269
DCC Covid Support	**–**	10,667
	5,000	15,936
Total income	**507,704**	413,455
Expenditure		
Expenditure on charitable activities		
Wages and salaries	**270,199**	277,414
Employer's NIC	**19,818**	17,326
Pension costs	**5,195**	5,075
Premises costs	**26,612**	15,307
Premises refurbishment costs	**–**	14,324
Office costs	**7,711**	7,337
Depreciation	**4,175**	4,368
Other costs	**92,952**	72,073
Accountancy and Independent Examination	**756**	720
Professional and consultancy fees	**6,553**	4,373
Total expenditure	**433,971**	418,317
Net income/(expenditure)	**73,733**	(4,862)

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Auckland Youth and Community Centre Limited

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For the Year Ending

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Trustees' Annual Report (Incorporating the Director's Report)

Year Ended 31 March 2022

The trustees, who are also the directors for the purposes of company law, present their report and the unaudited financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2022.

1.0 - Objectives and Activities

1.1 The objectives for which the charity is established are:-

1) To maintain and manage the building in furtherance of the objectives;
2) To promote the benefit of the inhabitants of Bishop Auckland, primarily residents of Woodhouse Close Estate without distinction of sex, sexual orientation, race or of political, religious or other opinions, by associating together the said inhabitants and the local authorities, voluntary and other organisations in a common effort to advance education and to provide facilities in the interest of social welfare, with the objective of improving the conditions of life for the said inhabitants, and 3) To promote such other charitable purposes as may from time to time be determined.

1.2 The Centre aims to:-

1) Improve the conditions of life for the inhabitants of Woodhouse Close Estate and the surrounding area.
2) Seek funding to maintain staff to develop the centre and its objectives.
3) Initiate activities and facilities to meet the needs of the Centre's users and the wider community.
4) Work in partnership with other agencies, groups and organisations to further the aims.
5) Encourage participation from members of the community to become actively involved in the management and the running of the Centre.
6) Promote the benefit of the community of Woodhouse Close residents by associating together volunteers and organisations in a common effort to improve the quality.

2.0 - Achievements and Performance

2.1 Like the previous financial year, 2021-22 has proved to be a challenge for the Board of Trustees. The continuation of Covid-19 restrictions meant that service delivery was limited at times.. However we continued to be creative in both service development and delivery. Consequently, the Trustees were able to gradually increase the services on offer and by the end of the financial year were almost back to pre-pandemic levels.

2.2 Activity Programme
Services in the Centre, on the Woodhouse Close Estate and in the wider Bishop Auckland area continue to be delivered by qualified and committed staff employed by Auckland Youth and Community Centre Limited. The main activities during the reporting period were as follows:

2.3 Delivery Team Activities
(Information provided David McCreedy, Delivery Manager)

2.4 National Lottery Community Fund (NCLF) - Widening Horizons Project
Throughout this year at Auckland Youth and Community Centre Limited (AYCC), our Delivery Team continued to respond swiftly and successfully to the Covid-19 pandemic. AYCC's response came out of long lasting, well established and trusted relationships on Woodhouse Close Estate, and this was mainly supported by the funding provided by the NLCF through our Widening Horizons Project. It was highly effective because it focused on need and was agile and flexible. AYCC shared intelligence and best practice openly - ensuring local partners were well informed - and this enabled good connections with county wide support structures including, for example, Wellbeing for Life.

During the last year there were several factors which enabled us all to be effective in supporting the local community through the NLCF-funded Widening Horizons Project:

- We know our community and were focused on need, using individuals' and communities' strengths to offer a flexible response to needs.
- We provided relationship-based support around emotional resilience, combating loneliness and reassuring people proved to be hugely critical.
- By having a clear focus partners worked together effectively. We shared intelligence and information (GDPR compliant) to develop our approach on Woodhouse Close.
- Facilitation and leadership from AYCC enabled people, organisations and projects to come together. We developed effective routes to gathering information, by for example engaging with countywide services.
- We supported people who were vulnerable for economic and social reasons, intensified by Covid-19, linking with all of Durham County Council's departmental areas of responsibility, for example.
- Our response was swift and flexible, and we were able to point quickly to street level, community services and offer sessions to support local residents.

AYCC watched with the rest of the country as the Covid-19 pandemic continued into another year. Thinking about our plans, we wondered how to keep services going; we had planned for some aspects but, in many ways, we were well prepared for what followed, thanks to our experience of the previous year. We knew there would be a need for communities to step up as statutory services couldn't provide for everyone in the area. We were immediately thinking about who were the most vulnerable people that needed to be supported and how - through our NLCF funded project - we could support them.

AYCC springs from, and is deeply embedded within, Woodhouse Close Estate. We have long-lasting and trusted relationships. It is this, and our focus on meeting people's needs, which has enabled us to identify and meet emerging needs, gather and share intelligence, identify cold spots on the estate, and use our experience to identify solutions that will stick and make a difference to the residents of Woodhouse Close.

The support we have provided to keep people safe and well - and prevent problems getting worse - is crucial. This is down to the availability of NLCF funding through our Widening Horizons Project. As a community, we will rely on this support increasingly as the long-term impact of the pandemic is felt - economically and socially, as well as in relation to health and infection rates. AYCC have made sure people are supported locally, and that they have somewhere to go to ask for help when they need it. We have offered emotional support and wellbeing checks, and have reduced loneliness, as well as practical support including "how to shop online" and "things to do".

Informal groups formed rapidly at AYCC, and we started offering support such as running errands, neighbourliness, and other reactive help for people on Woodhouse Close. We have supported these groups to operate safely and increase their impact by providing guidance and resources through our workers, as well as an escalation route for needs we could not meet, for example where referrals were made into Durham County Council support services. While many residents living on Woodhouse Close may have been able to alter working and lifestyle patterns to adapt to the changes brought about due to lockdown, the pandemic has shone a light on a significant number of residents who find themselves in perilous positions and for whom lockdown has brought major tests, even leading to crisis.

Although many of these residents are known to agencies, a significant proportion of those who have accessed support through the Covid-19 crisis are in vulnerable situations but nevertheless fall below the radar of traditional services. Evidence collected during the last year identified at least three categories of resident requiring our support:

- Residents already known to agencies or services - including those on government shielded lists, existing social care and housing support lists, and those already in contact with voluntary organisations.
- Residents with vulnerabilities that lie under the radar - those without recourse to public funds and not registered as such, those beneath thresholds or out of touch with formal support services.
- Residents on the cusp of coping, many of them thrown into crisis through the early impacts of lockdown through the loss of insecure employment, for example, or personal struggles with health, housing or hardship.

Through the Widening Horizons Project, we have built a far more detailed picture of the challenges faced by residents on the estate than we had previously. Now that a clear light has been shone on the challenges facing these residents, and support services have been organised to offer practical support during the pandemic, it is critical that attention does not simply shift away or disappear as the immediate crisis recedes. Many of these residents will require longer-term support, including complex support, while others in less critical situations may be prevented from getting into further difficulties if given the appropriate opportunities at the stage at which they need it.

Just like last year, local residents' involvement in - and co-design of - our programmes and services has been integral; developed with the support of residents very much living with the pandemic. Regular contact was made with local people, to make sure the services we were delivering were indeed the services they needed. Local families need to feel empowered to take ownership of their projects; this will continue with the support of our staff.

Notwithstanding the huge economic, social and human costs of the pandemic, it has created openings for service user led services, projects and programmes. For example, it has helped us to highlight the value and potential contribution of local residents. The "permission to ask for and give help" that Covid-19 provided gives some insights into how wellbeing can be supported within communities by local residents. It has given people across Woodhouse Close opportunities to step up and develop leadership skills and experience and encouraged community action. This provides a basis for strengthening both future crisis responses and also long-term community development.

In total, we supported over 400 people through the Widening Horizons Project, with around 1800 accessing some level of support. While statistical information is important for aims and objectives, we felt that, as in the previous year, it was more important to use the project to work with as many children, young people and families as we possibly could, and to manage their safe passage through

the pandemic. Through the project's Crisis Intervention element, we had contact with 615 cases, with 902 adults and 498 children being supported Covid-19 motivated many local residents into action. It gave some a real clarity of purpose to become involved, particularly in the Widening Horizons Project. Given the pandemic's un-precedented nature and speed, effective leadership on the estate was crucial. In response, we worked with partners and residents to nurture the strength of pre-existing relationships established over the 58 years of our existence, to add structure to the project and re-purpose where needed. This proved to be a key determinant of the effectiveness of our response to the pandemic; everyone working together. As well as people, we needed key local organisations to work with us, and for this we are grateful to many; especially Durham County Council, Woodhouse Close Church Community Centre and the Gaunless Gateway Big Local Partnership. With their help, and that of many others, we have established a truly comprehensive network of established projects to support local people.

In addition, a new wave of residents have responded to the pandemic by offering support locally; whether through traditional volunteering routes or by establishing street-based support groups, community and residents' groups have stepped forward to help those particularly in need. In many ways, we have achieved more together in the past two years than we have in recent decades. Now, we can build on the successes of this partnership working to lay a long-lasting legacy for Woodhouse Close residents.

There are, nevertheless, considerable challenges that AYCC and others will continue to face through the next phase of the pandemic. The current pandemic has revealed, rather than caused, a food insecurity crisis and it has thrown a light on the significant number of residents on the estate who are facing underlying difficulties with debt, housing, health, employment or other aspects of daily life but may not be in receipt of benefits, social care packages or other formal offers of social support.

Partners on Woodhouse Close are working at capacity, however, and we now need clear recommendations that sustain and build on the progress of recent months, in order to make the most of the resources we have. Collectively, we need to harness the power of our community to make a long-lasting impact in tackling the underlying issues, exacerbated by the pandemic, which have cast so many residents into a very precarious position. What specific challenges has AYCC faced? We have seen a four-way impact on capacity:

- Supporting people one-to-one rather than in groups is more resource intensive. Supporting the same number of people effectively takes more time and "staff power".

- Capacity was reduced as staff / volunteers shielded, isolated or were off sick. Those working were doing so remotely, often from home, adapting to new ways of working.

- Unrestricted income dropped significantly, particularly donations and commercial income (for example from room hire), which greatly limited our flexibility with budgets.

- Demand increased, as referrals from services increased, in addition to the existing demand from local residents. People who had been independent for a number of years returned to us for help, as the stress of the crisis began to affect them deeply.

Whilst AYCC is the foundation that underpins support to keep many people on Woodhouse Close safe and well, we face significant threats which we need to find a way to manage. The way in which we have achieved this, despite increased demand and loss of some income streams, is a testament to our resilience and strength, but the impact in the medium and long term is likely to be considerable. We do expect need and demand to rise further. In other words, we are far from the social and economic peak of the crisis.

Looking ahead, the scale of the forecast economic recession will impact everyone, in particular local residents; as always, it will impact the poorest and more vulnerable the most.

Over the past two years, AYCC has provided necessary support to some of the most vulnerable people in County Durham. We have designed and improved our approach in response to intelligence

and information gathered, listened to local people and reacted well. Nobody asked for - or authorised - this response; it happened because at the heart of AYCC is our mission to support people when they need it.

The work which, through its funding, the NLCF has enabled AYCC to perform demonstrates the importance of local voluntary organisations - the strength of character and expertise to find out what is needed, and respond to it, when and where this is needed. It shows the importance of acknowledging and using these skills and characteristics. There is an opportunity for this important response to be just the start. The level of compassion and empathy that exists on Woodhouse Close - and how people have been obliged to help others - is remarkable. The impact of this community resilience and these bonds going forward has yet to be discovered. It is imperative that this is done, in order to ensure that our achievements are preserved and built upon as we move forward as a community.

A clear feature of the last two years has been the upsurge of local residents stepping forward to offer time and resources to help. It is also important to note that the activity reviewed here does not paint a full picture of support that has been offered within Woodhouse Close during lockdown; only that which has been filtered through AYCC and its partners. Without NCLF support, we wonder who would have taken the lead in pulling together services and projects to support local residents.

Many residents, local groups and networks have been assisted, or offered help, through Widening Horizons. It is critical to the longer-term health of the estate that the community spirit that has emerged through Covid-19 is supported to prosper over the longer-term.

We hope the following case study gives a small taste of the impact of the work we perform to help our community - and in particular through the Widening Horizons Project:

"I am writing to express my gratitude and appreciation for the work of the staff in having a key role in supporting my sister. The group has had a transformative effect on her in many ways. When she joined the group, she was initially very nervous and anxious as she has always struggled in new social situations. Since that very first session she has grown and blossomed as a unique woman under the care and support of the staff. The group has helped her to explore her principles, values and opinions. It has given her a forum to express these.

She feels safe and supported in the group and this has helped her to find her voice and to feel confident. As a family, we have seen and felt the impact first hand. As a sister of a visually impaired sibling, it is difficult to find activities outside of the sensory supported groups where I can be sure my sister is safe.

It is difficult to balance her need for independence with the need to be sure she is protected and safe. This has had a huge impact on my confidence and has helped me to step back - something I did not expect to gain from her attending this group, but something I am especially grateful for.

The variety of activities have stretched her, and she has achieved so much personally. She has taken part in new and exciting ventures which have supported her to have the confidence to try new things. This has impacted on her skills development and helped her to continue this in her personal and social life. Throughout lockdown the group maintained contact and she was given support sessions, and this acted as a strong focus to support the enormous impact of not being in contact with others.

My sister has previously had some very serious issues with low confidence and struggled to speak out about this. I am certain that the support given in this group has helped her to identify and to speak up about what is ok and what is not and given her the tools to cope with many of the difficult situations she has had to face. She is much more confident and assertive, and I am certain that this is a direct result of the commitment and dedication of the staff. The non-judgemental and safe environment that the group creates is where she has been able to find this.

I cannot thank the staff enough for the positive impact they have had on her and the difference their support has made to both her and our family. My heartfelt thanks to you all."

2.5 Challenge and Support Project (CSP), funded through NCLF (Widening Horizons Project)
The Challenge and Support Project (CSP) aims to address and change the behaviour of families who live on the estate with children and young people involved in anti-social behaviour through lockdown. The CSP helped local families achieve a level of stability, prevent crisis situations and improve opportunities for young people by signposting them onto other elements of the Widening Horizons Project. We provided holistic family approaches to sessions, which allowed us to provide intensive support.

We supported young people with emotional wellbeing and mental health sessions. We know young people suffered due to limited personal or outdoor spaces; creating challenging, fraught situations which may have a detrimental impact of their emotional wellbeing, mental and physical health. Working closely with them, we understand that digital exclusion is a key issue for young people on the estate. The pandemic created challenges for young people and their families to afford and/or access the basics including food and hygiene products. The CSP developed drop-in sessions where donations of these could be collected.

During lockdown, there has been increased focus on digital access as a basic, fundamental need. For many young people, lack of access to technology, data and connectivity has caused barriers to their opportunities to learn, access support, connect and socialise. We responded with support sessions, and by loaning them laptops with internet connections.

2.6 Crisis Intervention Project, funded through NCLF (Widening Horizons Project)
Support for local residents, their families and their care-givers is an essential part of AYCC's comprehensive response to the pandemic. During times of isolation and quarantine, local people need safe access to nutritious food, basic supplies, money and medicine to support their physical health and social care. Dissemination of accurate information is critical to ensuring that older people have clear messages and resources on how to stay physically and mentally healthy during the pandemic - and what to do if they should fall ill. Working very hard in partnership with Woodhouse Close Church Community Centre, we have ensured that the Crisis Intervention element of the Widening Horizons Project has had a staggering impact upon the help we have been able to give Woodhouse Close residents.

2.7 Buttons - Disability Project
The project continued to work with those with varying disabilities who have been extremely affected by Covid-19. Young people with disabilities have been differentially affected by the pandemic because of three factors: the increased risk of poor outcomes from the disease itself; reduced access to routine health care and rehabilitation; and the adverse social impacts of not being able to interact with others. This project has allowed our staff to work with those who attend, enabling them to have some sort of normality.

2.8 Detached Youth Work Project
The Detached Youth Work team has adapted and refined its approach to maximise the benefit of this project through the pandemic. Such refinements have included: (1) building a trusting relationship with young people, based on taking their views of what they need as their starting point, and then helping them recognise other areas for change; (2) helping them understand how they can benefit from support, and then motivating and working alongside them to make changes; (3) Focusing on the positives and countering young people's expectations that they will be criticised.

2.9 After School Club

The project continued to work with the estate's 4-11-year-olds. Staff developed additional wellbeing sessions after the realisation that the pandemic is having a massive effect on their personal development. The project looked to improve the knowledge, attitudes and behaviour of children around health and wellbeing following the pandemic by creating fun and exciting sport sessions in which they may participate. We continued to look to: (1) reduce the number of children with health problems who experience the negative impact of stigma and discrimination; (2) improve the confidence and ability to speak openly about their health problems or issues in a safe and supported environment.

2.10 Fun and Food Projects

Despite local issues regarding Covid-19, we still managed to provide 3203 food packs and 1349 activity packs over the past year, with additional support for local families including referrals into other services we provide. Our meals provided fresh food and had a balance. These projects are vital to our local families, helping in particular to combat 'holiday hunger'.

2.11 North East Youth Alliance - The South Durham Youth Offer

Young people will be disproportionately impacted by the effects of Covid-19. We believe that the youth sector has a key role to play in supporting them, helping them to understand and manage their own way through the myriad of challenges they will face. The issues they face are complex ones and require complex solutions; solutions that can't just rely on the same old approach. If we are going to tackle (effectively) the wide range of issues our young people face, we need to have more collaborative solutions and approaches, aimed at the root causes. Often, "solutions" focus on the challenges' symptoms rather than their causes; a reactive approach rather than a preventative one. Young people are often missed out, or excluded, from being involved in designing, deciding and evaluating these solutions.

Through the South Durham Youth Offer (Bishop Auckland and Shildon area), we are working collaboratively with other organisations to develop partnerships, share resources, funding and where the workforce can be shared to support young people in particular areas. AYCC have recently secured funding through SCYPAN to deliver the Shildon Youth Offer.

2.12 The Big Purple Play Bus (TBPPB), supported by the Gaunless Gateway (GGBLP)

TBPPB didn't have the best year due to a number of issues. Lockdowns and additional government restrictions didn't allow for the bus to be used to its full potential. Business development was undertaken with the Sunderland Business Innovation Centre (BIC), with their "Celebration Space Exploration" report outlining ways to take TBPPB further into the hospitality and events sector. Whilst Covid-19 took its toll on the hospitality sector, making celebrations of all types a distant memory for almost two years, some new research predicts a sharp recovery in the coming months as people crave a return to normality and rekindle family and friendship connections. Working with the GGBLP and Sunderland BIC, we will look at opportunities to capitalise on this movement in the coming months and years.

2.13 West Auckland Youth Initiative

The West Auckland Youth Initiative is a partnership which is continuing to grow and develop youth services in West Auckland. Key partners are the Gaunless Gateway Big Local Partnership, West Auckland Parish Council and Streetgames. Workers have held open days and sessions over the last year. This project started slowly, affected badly by interruptions and restrictions from the pandemic. Support is now growing as it gains momentum.

3.0 Business Development
(Information provided John Wiseman, Business Development Manager)

3.1 Introduction and overview
Following our outstanding year in 2020-21, when mere survival would have been a great achievement, 2021-22 has been equally successful. It has also been very much a year of 'transition'. Two transitions stand out:

- From the 'old' normal pre-pandemic to the 'new' normal (like many community and voluntary organisations up and down the country, we are still working this out).
- From an organisation focused on survival through the pandemic to one which is looking ahead with renewed confidence and planning for long-term sustainability.

Putting these two together has driven the thinking of our business development function this year. We are looking ahead with confidence once more whilst sobered by, and very much learning the lessons from, Covid-19. You may wish to consider this a balance between survival and progression; we think we have found the right balance.

Before continuing, it is appropriate to pause here to appreciate the hard work and commitment of our staff and volunteers - and many more individuals, groups and partner organisations - all of whom have pulled together to get us to this point. Thanks go to all.

3.2 Facts and figures
This year, we have seen a slight drop in our income, to £413,455. Our expenditure, meanwhile, increased to £418,317, resulting in a very slight operating loss (£4,682). Given our outstandingly successful 2020-21 - as mentioned above - this came as no surprise. In fact, it was a much smaller loss than we had been anticipating; remember we made a huge operating profit of £88,468 twelve months ago.

The many reasons for the slight deficit include the reality that many of the projects for which we received up-front funding in 2020-21 were actually delivered in 2021-22, thereby incurring additional cost this year as opposed to last. Meanwhile, the many reasons for the deficit being smaller than many predicted include another year's prudent financial management, reflecting the overall good governance of the organisation. Examples include:

- another year of keeping a remarkably close eye on day-to-day running costs and review of long-term contracts (utilities, supplies etc.);
- regular monitoring through day-to-day grant / project management, weekly reviews and monthly meetings of the Finance Monitoring Group (FMG), with clear reporting into the Board of Trustees, which also meets monthly; the Treasurer sits on both.

Once again, we are reporting a perfectly acceptable Centre reserves figure of £23,740. This is broadly similar to last year and within our optimal range of 3-6 months' running costs (this range has been adjusted slightly this year, to £20-40k). This ongoing management of Centre reserves - maintaining them comfortably with the optimal window - will help us to maintain our financial stability and also to achieve our ultimate goal of long-term sustainability.

3.3 Healthy progress
Using the above section as a 'health check' of the organisation, it offers substantial proof of continuing high productivity. In turn, this is helping to underpin the ongoing success of our plan for longer term sustainable business development.

3.4 Staff updates
Our small business development team has continued to grow slowly. This year, the Business Development Manager, Centre Administration Worker and Centre Cleaner were joined by a Business Development and Marketing Co-ordinator and Kick Start Marketing Trainee; both new appointments in autumn 2021. As outlined in Section 3.8, both have made a fantastic start. We continue to work hard to secure the funding to continue these posts when the current funding for them runs out in summer

2022. Additionally, we enjoyed the support of two new Marketing Interns this summer, thanks to our excellent, ongoing partnership with Durham University and - through them - funding from Santander for the interns' salaries. More detail about our summer 2021 internships is provided in Section 3.7 (final bullet point).

3.5 Making the most of change

Above everything, Covid-19 appears to have taught us all that, whatever we are doing, our health and wellbeing should be paramount. Without these, we are ill-equipped to function, to be productive, or to help others (all to the best of our ability). Looking back to the lockdowns, for example, many of us realised that we are able to adapt more easily than we thought. In terms of AYCC, this adaptability and flexibility has impacted positively upon the ability of staff to achieve the 'balance' mentioned earlier. As early as Lockdown 1, for example, a small number of workers continued to work their usual hours safely and productively from home, keeping things going ready for a successfully planned and adequately financed reopening; this was phased initially, leading to a full re-opening in mid-2021.

As a learning organisation, one of the lessons learned is that remote working can work really well for some functions, including the behind-the-scenes tasks which may be loosely termed 'business development'. The best example is an increase in the success rate in 'significant' funding applications, most notably £180k secured this financial year from the Henry Smith Charity; to be spent on core costs in a planned manner over the next three financial years. However, we do recognise that remote working does impact on our ability to meet face to face with our funders and potential funders and partners. It also limits our opportunity to network with people and organisations who can potentially help us to grow the business.

This approach will also help us with the careful planning required to deliver a successful new application to the National Lottery Community Fund (NLCF) which we hope to submit over the summer and, all being well, secure towards the end of 2022. This would follow the end of the three-year NCLF grant currently supporting our Widening Horizons Project.

Good productivity has also been evidenced by the commitment to focus more closely upon a phased plan to recruit, train and develop new staff in key business development and marketing roles; many of these are carried out behind the scenes but all are critical to the current and future needs of the organisation.

Even for short term placements, it has been important to set aside the time to enable them to learn, develop and grow. The trick has been to get the right balance between remote working and the time they need to learn on-the-ground, for example working alongside peers to understand the day-to-day nature of AYCC's work as well as its underlying ethos. So, newly trained staff are hitting the ground running with the confidence and ability to offer support to other functions of the organisation too e.g. delivery of clubs, sessions, events and open days.

3.6 Business Plan

Another significant business development this year has been the establishment of a new strategic Business Plan (2022-25) for the whole organisation. This will be put into full operation in the summer of 2022. The action plan which underpins our business planning process will continue to be used, effectively on a weekly or monthly basis; although it has also been reviewed for accuracy and to ensure its consistency with the new Business Plan. With substantial support from Raphaela, our volunteer with expert knowledge in this field, a number of workshops and planning sessions were held throughout 2021-22.

In a board meeting towards the end of this financial year, the progress made by all was noted and appreciated by the Trustees, with future actions agreed, as follows:

1. Noted the contents of the presentation given by Raphaela, Deepak and John, the material from which will be used extensively in the final report, see Point 4. The material includes some of the initial / early pieces of work undertaken in a series of focused, collaborative workshops (these pieces of work included a new SWOT analysis).

2. Approve the final content of the MOST analysis (Mission, Objectives, Strategy, Tactics), derived following recent workshops and board meetings, specifically: mission remains as in the old business plan (as previously agreed); three new objectives; one major strategy for each objective; and a series of tactics which will help to deliver the above.

3. Approve the new set of tactics mentioned above; these were derived from a review of the previous business plan and the new analysis (SWOT, MOST, Balanced Scorecard).

4. Agree plans for the next financial year, broken down into three steps:

Step 1: Spring/summer 2022: Raphaela, Deepak and John leading on preparation of the formal 2022-25 Business Plan 'glossy' documentation, based upon the above material.

Step 2: Summer/autumn 2022: Review of milestones, discussion and feedback in monthly managers' meetings.

Step 3: Autumn 2022: Presentation of final report to Trustees and final sign-off.

3.7 Partnerships

This year, once again, our business would not have been able to develop and grow without the fantastic support of so many partners. Whilst these are too numerous to mention, it may be helpful here to reflect on four key areas:

- All of our funders who have supported us this year, in particular the Henry Smith Charity and the National Lottery Community Fund (both mentioned above).
- Funders such as Virgin Money Foundation (VMF) who provide us with support 'beyond the grant'. In the case of VMF, this has included (1) a free one-year subscription to Locality; (2) membership of a professionally-facilitated group of peer organisations also benefiting from the VMF Community Anchors' Fund.
- These two additional benefits of the VMF's "beyond the grant" commitment are proving to be very productive in AYCC's business development and future organisational planning.
- Gaunless Gateway Big Local Partnership (GGBLP), with whom we work very closely on many levels including project delivery, most notably the Big Purple Play Bus and our provision of a management service to support the GGBLP staff team.

This summer, our excellent partnership with the world-renowned (and very local) Durham University delivered once again; providing us with two excellent under-graduate Marketing Interns to continue the ground-breaking work of their predecessor, which started in 2020. During their short time with us this summer, they delivered various projects to help AYCC to promote our work through all possible media channels (traditional and new), whilst developing systems and processes "behind the scenes" to help us to deliver our communications, marketing and income generation strategies, both in the short and longer term. The standard of their work was again extremely high, partly due to the selection of two outstanding students following another extremely competitive process. With many students interviewed - and time spent by AYCC managers and trustees on good quality feedback for any candidate requesting it - we supported a number of local young people by, for example, giving them some useful experience and advice for their imminent job searches and future careers; not just the two who secured the opportunity to work with us.

3.8 Better Connected Project

As explained above, 2021-22 ended with the fantastic news of a new three-year grant of £180k from the Henry Smith Charity, secured towards core costs for 2022-25. News of this award marked the culmination of over six months' hard work on our multi-stage application, over the second half of the financial year. Despite the size of this award (second only to the Lottery grants secured in 2016 and 2019), it is not our only current support from the Henry Smith Charity. In addition to the many projects delivered in 2021-22, described in Section 2, we have been delivering a new digital inclusion project with a separate grant (£68,200) from the Henry Smith Charity. Shaped with local people in response to Covid-19, the Better Connected Project provided a range of online support services and remote or in-person IT training sessions for disadvantaged local individuals, particularly those impacted by Covid-19.

Supported by the Business Development Manager - and working alongside Delivery Team staff - our new Business Development and Marketing Co-ordinator and Kick Start Marketing Trainee have worked hard on this project since the autumn, specifically:

- Helping colleagues to plan and deliver new sessions to help people to learn new IT skills - to become more financially resilient, find or retain work, or master a new hobby.
- Creating and displaying - or posting on social media - new communications and marketing material to reach and inform as many people as possible about the project.
- Setting up and managing new IT systems to enable the delivery of 'hybrid' sessions, giving people the choice of attending the sessions either in-person or remotely.
- Establishing and monitoring the necessary systems and protocols to ensure compliance with safeguarding and GDPR requirements.
- Working with GGBLP staff (see previous page) to recruit and work with volunteers to help with project delivery.

Shaped in consultation with the residents of Woodhouse Close Estate, we believe that, by helping them to connect with on-hand support mechanisms - and with each other - as the title suggests, the Better Connected Project will build people's resilience. Looking ahead, it will also help to develop and sustain our community's longer-term recovery from Covid-19.

3.9 Strategic financial planning

Significant progress has once again been made in our financial planning in 2021-22. As we did in the last annual report, we hope that the worst of Covid-19 is behind us. This time, however, we are more confident that we can use the experiences, good and bad, of the past two years to focus on making our strategies more robust; ensuring that AYCC is better future-proofed, more sustainable and more secure. If we keep going as we are, we will achieve this.

Other specific examples of consolidation and planning for the way forward include:

- Implementation of AYCC's new Business Plan (2022-25), as discussed in Section 3.6, together with further review and development of associated plans e.g. finance (and income generation), project delivery, marketing and communications.
- Continuing to hone our business development models. This will involve working with increasing numbers of partners from the voluntary, statutory and business communities.
- Securing the significant grants required to continue and develop our key delivery projects and generate funds to cover all necessary running costs, over and above those secured.
- Greater emphasis on diversifying income streams.
- More focus on increasing unrestricted funds e.g. larger scale fundraising including planning and delivery of corporate events (jointly with other local partners).
- Continued emphasis upon marketing and promotion, with the help of newly trained staff and intention to employ more interns, if possible, and recruit more volunteers.
- Review of viable medium to long term options for the future of the 30-year-old Big Purple Play Bus, including further work on a feasibility study and the relevant cost-benefit analysis for each option considered.
- Applying to Durham University Business School's MBA Consultancy Pathway scheme to engage with a new team of international students to help us with future planning; sadly, we missed out on this opportunity in 2021, due to Covid recovery and increased competition.
- Renewed attention to recruitment and retention of volunteers, including the appointment of a Volunteer Co-ordinator; funds are secured for a new full-time post, initially for one year.
- Further (ongoing) work with local institutions and research groups to explore the true extent of the benefits of our work upon our local communities, such as:
    - Developing further our high-quality monitoring, evaluation and reporting methods (including comprehensive reports to funders);
    - Considering new ways to show longer-term outcomes and impacts of our work;
    - Understanding the concept of 'social value', by evaluating the 'real' qualitative and quantitative socio-economic value added to local communities by the work we do;
    - Quality assurance, including review of the quality and effectiveness of our work.

3.10 Strategic Financial Way Forward

During the financial year, a thorough review of the 2019-22 Business Plan took place. This process allowed the Board of Trustees to carry out a SWOT analysis and refine its priorities for the new Business Plan (2022-25) which will be produced during 2022.

Financial management remains a key objective for the Board of Trustees. As noted in Section 3, the Trustees - with the invaluable support of staff - are working vigorously to:

- Continue to review all contracts and costs associated with the running of the Centre.
- Increase the levels of unrestricted funding through increased fundraising e.g. raffles, bag packing, race nights and family fun events. A good start was made during 2021-22, but bigger and better activities are planned for 2022-23.
- Further develop and refine the Centre's financial management and marketing strategies, which in turn will impact on our potential income.
- Ensure staff and trustees' ongoing support for the Finance Monitoring Group, meeting and reporting to the Board of Trustees monthly and following up on actions.

Partnership working continues to evolve and, in turn, helps to support our plans for income generation. Once again it is particularly pleasing to report the continued growth in the number of partners with whom we are currently working.

3.11 Building Fabric

The building has been maintained over the past 12 months, to ensure it meets all statutory and health and safety requirements. The building is also cleaned five days every week.

Long-term, our goal of a major, whole-Centre refurbishment remains. Meanwhile, we have continued to identify works to improve the facilities throughout and comply with health and safety requirements. Key features of the building works carried out during the financial year have included decoration of the building, completing the LED lighting and movement detection and - last but by no means least - replacement of the sports hall boilers.

3.12 Acknowledgements

Over the past 12 months, the Board of Trustees has continued to remain steadfast in understanding its roles and responsibilities including its strategic direction.

The Board of Trustees also very much appreciates the hard work and dedication shown by all of its paid staff and volunteers in our delivery team. The team is ably managed by David McCreedy and the quality of the services is of a very high standard.

As with our service delivery team, the Board of Trustees very much appreciates the hard work and commitment of our support staff, ably managed by John Wiseman. Again, the quality of the work is of a very high standard.

In September 2020 the Board of Trustees became the employing body for the Gaunless Gateway Big Local Partnership (GGBLP) staff. The Board of Trustees would like to acknowledge the hard work and commitment shown by the two members of staff, Barbara Slasor and Susan Graydon.

Although it is always difficult to single out particular funders, the Board of Trustees especially wanted to mention the highly valued support of the National Lottery Community Fund, the Henry Smith Charity, the Bishop Auckland and Shildon Area Action Partnership and the Gaunless Gateway Big Local Partnership.

The Board of Trustees would also like to say a big thank you to all of the Centre's other current funders (listed in our financial report) and other organisations who have supported its work over the past 12 months.

The Board of Trustees appreciates the support given to it through other means including the contribution of Simon Healey from Durham Association of Boys and Girls Clubs, Jon Niblo and Gemma Lockyer Turnbull from NE Youth, and Durham University (through, for instance, their marketing internship programme).

The Board of Trustees would like to acknowledge the hard work, dedication and commitment given by Raphaela Meucci, during the ongoing review of our Business Plan, and to Trades for Care for overseeing and delivering the redecoration of the Centre.

Finally, the Board of Trustees wishes to acknowledge the support given to it by Durham County Council; particularly that given by our two local County Councillors, Joanne Howey and Cathy Hunt.

4.0 - Financial Review

4.1 Reserves Policy

The aim of the Trustees is to retain unrestricted "free" reserves equivalent to between 3 and 6 months' Centre running costs excluding depreciation and exceptional costs. At current activity levels this is equal to between £20,000 and £40,000. Unrestricted "free" reserves at 31st March 2022 were £23,740 which is within this range.

4.2 Investment Policy

Monies not required for immediate use are placed in a High Interest Business Account. There are no other investments.

4.3 Risk Management

The major risks identified by the trustees have been reviewed and systems established to mitigate those risks.

5.0 - Structure, Governance and Management

5.1 Legal Status

Auckland Youth and Community Centre is a charitable company. It was incorporated on 6th April 2006 with company number 5772054. It was registered as a charity on 28th February 2007 with charity number 1118157. It is governed by its memorandum and articles of association dated 6th April 2006 and amended 30th January 2007.

Auckland Youth and Community Centre was originally built in 1963, officially opened on the 14th February 1964, as part of Central Government's development of youth facilities (particularly targeting young men) following the publication of the Lady Albemarle Report. The Centre was one of six "Boys' Clubs" in the North East of England. A sports hall extension was added in 1995, funded by the National Lottery.

Auckland Youth and Community Centre Limited is affiliated to the Durham Association of Boys and Girls Clubs, which is affiliated to UK YOUTH and NABGC (The National Association of Boys and Girls Clubs). Auckland Youth and Community Centre Limited is also affiliated to NE YOUTH which is affiliated to UK YOUTH.

5.2 Recruitment and Appointment of Trustees

Trustees are made up from residents of the area of benefit known as Woodhouse Close or surrounding area of Bishop Auckland and those with a common interest of the Centre and area.

A trustee is a person proposed by either themselves or another and appointed or elected at an Annual General Meeting, whatever his/her age as long as they are a member of the Centre.

5.3 Organisational Structure

The Board of Trustees has overall responsibility for meeting the organisation's legal duties, ensuring that it is properly managed, promoting good practice in all activities and ensuring the quality of all services delivered.

The overall responsibility for the management of the Centre sits with the Board of Trustees. On a day-to-day basis the Delivery Manager, Business Development Manager and the Project Leads will risk assess and identify any health and safety issues. Any such issues are recorded on a Centre Management Log Form. All forms are processed through the Centre Administrator who will initially discuss with one of the two managers and thereafter a nominated member of the Board of Trustees.

The trustees have had regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit throughout the year when deciding on the activities of the charity.

6.0 Reference and Administrative Details

Registered charity name	Auckland Youth and Community Centre Limited
Charity registration number	1118157
Company registration number	5772054
Principal office and registered office	Walker Drive Bishop Auckland County Durham DL14 6QL
The Trustees	
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Company Secretary	Miss N Kipling
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Small Company Provisions

This report has been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies entitled to the small companies exemption.

The trustees' annual report was approved on 7.7.22 and signed on behalf of the board of trustees by:

N. Kipling.

Miss N Kipling
Secretary

Auckland Youth and Community Centre Limited

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Auckland Youth and Community Centre Limited

Year Ended 31 March 2022

I report to the trustees on my examination of the financial statements of Auckland Youth and Community Centre Limited ('the charity') for the year ended 31 March 2022.

Responsibilities and Basis of Report

As the trustees of the company (and also its directors for the purposes of company law) you are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements 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 the 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 the charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 your examiner must be a member of a body listed in section 145 of the 2011 Act. I confirm that I am qualified to undertake the examination because I am a member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales (ICAEW), 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 charity as required by section 386 of the 2006 Act; or

2. the financial statements do not accord with those records; or

3. the financial statements 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 financial statements 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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Auckland Youth and Community Centre Limited

Statement of Financial Activities
(including income and expenditure account)

Year Ended 31 March 2022

	Note	2022 Unrestricted funds £	2022 Restricted funds £	2022 Total funds £	2021 Total funds £
Income and endowments					
Donations and legacies	5	31,292	339,744	**371,036**	380,574
Charitable activities	6	17,995	8,471	**26,466**	5,758
Income from investments	7	17	–	**17**	24
Other income	8	6,667	9,269	**15,936**	73,427
Total income		55,971	357,484	**413,455**	459,783
Expenditure					
Expenditure on charitable activities	9,10	87,524	330,793	**418,317**	371,315
Total expenditure		87,524	330,793	**418,317**	371,315
Net (expenditure)/income		(31,553)	26,691	**(4,862)**	88,468
Transfers between funds		67,532	(67,532)	–	–
Net movement in funds		35,979	(40,841)	**(4,862)**	88,468
Reconciliation of funds					
Total funds brought forward		85,265	167,308	**252,573**	164,105
Total funds carried forward		121,244	126,467	**247,711**	252,573

The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year.
All income and expenditure derive from continuing activities.

The notes on pages 19 to 40 form part of these financial statements.

Auckland Youth and Community Centre Limited

Statement of Financial Position

31 March 2022

	Note	2022 £	£	2021 £
Fixed Assets				
Tangible fixed assets	16		**38,997**	43,365
Current Assets				
Debtors	17	**4,451**		4,297
Cash at bank and in hand		**216,866**		215,348
		221,317		219,645
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	18	**12,603**		10,437
Net Current Assets			**208,714**	209,208
Total Assets Less Current Liabilities			**247,711**	252,573
Funds of the Charity				
Restricted funds			**126,467**	167,308
Unrestricted funds			**121,244**	85,265
Total charity funds	20		**247,711**	252,573

For the year ending 31 March 2022 the charity was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

Directors' responsibilities:

- The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year in question in accordance with section 476;
- The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and the preparation of financial statements.

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

These financial statements were approved by the board of trustees and authorised for issue on ....7.7.2022.... and are signed on behalf of the board by:

W.N'lo

Mr W W Niblo (Chair)
Trustee

The notes on pages 19 to 40 form part of these financial statements.

Auckland Youth and Community Centre Limited

Notes to the Financial Statements

Year Ended 31 March 2022

1. General Information

The charity is a public benefit entity and a private company limited by guarantee, registered in England and Wales and a registered charity in England and Wales. The address of the registered office is Walker Drive, Bishop Auckland, County Durham, DL14 6QL.

2. Statement of Compliance

These financial statements have been prepared in compliance with FRS 102, 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and the Republic of Ireland', the 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) (Charities SORP (FRS 102)) and the Companies Act 2006.

3. Accounting Policies

Basis of Preparation

The financial statements have been prepared on the historical cost basis, as modified by the revaluation of certain financial assets and liabilities and investments measured at fair value through income or expenditure.

The financial statements are prepared in sterling, which is the functional currency of the entity.

The entity is a Public Benefit Entity.

Going Concern

There are no material uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue.

Judgements and Key Sources of Estimation Uncertainty

The preparation of the financial statements requires management to make judgements, estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts reported. These estimates and judgements are continually reviewed and are based on experience and other factors, including expectations of future events that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances. The trustees consider that there are no significant estimates or judgements affecting these financial statements.

Fund Accounting

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of the purposes of the charity.

Designated funds are unrestricted funds earmarked by the trustees for specific purposes.

Restricted funds are subjected to restrictions on their expenditure imposed by the donor.

3. Accounting Policies *(continued)*

Income

All income is included in the statement of financial activities when the charity is entitled to the income, any performance related conditions attached have been met or are fully within the control of the charity, the income is considered probable and the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy. The following specific policies are applied to particular categories of income:

Donations and legacy income is received by way of donations, legacies, grants and gifts and is included in full in the Statement of Financial Activities when receivable. Where legacies have been notified to the charity but the criteria for income recognition have not been met, the legacy is treated as a contingent asset and disclosed if material. Grants, where entitlement is not conditional on the delivery of a specific performance by the charity, are recognised when the charity becomes unconditionally entitled to the grant.

Donated services and facilities are included at the value to the charity, being the amount the charity would have been willing to pay to obtain services or facilities of equivalent economic benefit on the open market.

Investment income is included when receivable.

Income from charitable trading activity is accounted for when earned.

Income from grants, where related to performance and specific deliverables, are accounted for as the charity earns the right to consideration by its performance.

Expenditure

Expenditure is recognised on an accruals basis as a liability is incurred. Expenditure includes any VAT which cannot be fully recovered, and is reported as part of the expenditure to which it relates:

Costs of raising funds comprise the costs associated with attracting donations, grants and legacies and the costs of trading for fundraising purposes.

Charitable expenditure comprises those costs incurred by the charity in the delivery of its activities and services for its beneficiaries. It includes both costs that can be allocated directly to such activities and those costs of an indirect nature necessary to support them.

Other expenditure includes all expenditure that is neither related to raising funds for the charity nor part of its expenditure on charitable activities.

All costs are allocated between the expenditure categories of the SOFA on a basis designed to reflect the use of the resource. Costs relating to a particular activity are allocated directly, others are apportioned on an appropriate basis, as set out in the notes to the accounts.

Tangible Assets

Fixed assets are stated at cost less accumulated depreciation. The costs of minor additions or those costing below £500 are not capitalised.

3. Accounting Policies *(continued)*

Depreciation

Depreciation is calculated so as to write off the cost or valuation of an asset, less its residual value, over the useful economic life of that asset as follows:

Leasehold Property	-	Straight line over the lease term
Equipment	-	15% reducing balance

Impairment of Fixed Assets

A review for indicators of impairment is carried out at each reporting date, with the recoverable amount being estimated where such indicators exist. Where the carrying value exceeds the recoverable amount, the asset is impaired accordingly. Prior impairments are also reviewed for possible reversal at each reporting date.

For the purposes of impairment testing, when it is not possible to estimate the recoverable amount of an individual asset, an estimate is made of the recoverable amount of the cash-generating unit to which the asset belongs. The cash-generating unit is the smallest identifiable group of assets that includes the asset and generates cash inflows that largely independent of the cash inflows from other assets or groups of assets.

For impairment testing of goodwill, the goodwill acquired in a business combination is, from the acquisition date, allocated to each of the cash-generating units that are expected to benefit from the synergies of the combination, irrespective of whether other assets or liabilities of the charity are assigned to those units.

Financial Instruments

The charity only has financial assets and liabilities of a kind that qualify as basic financial instruments. Basic financial instruments are initially recognised at transaction value and subsequently measured at their settlement value.

Defined Contribution Plans

Contributions to defined contribution plans are recognised as an expense in the period in which the related service is provided. Prepaid contributions are recognised as an asset to the extent that the prepayment will lead to a reduction in future payments or a cash refund.

When contributions are not expected to be settled wholly within 12 months of the end of the reporting date in which the employees render the related service, the liability is measured on a discounted present value basis. The unwinding of the discount is recognised as an expense in the period in which it arises.

Debtors

Trade and other debtors are recognised at the settlement amount due after any trade discount offered. Prepayments are valued at the amount prepaid net of any trade discounts due.

Accrued income and tax recoverable is included at the best estimate of the amounts receivable at the balance sheet date.

Cash at Bank and in Hand

Cash at bank and cash in hand includes cash and short term highly liquid investments with a short maturity of three months or less from the date of acquisition or opening of the deposit or similar account.

Creditors

Creditors are recognised where the charity has a present obligation resulting from a past event that will probably result in the transfer of funds to a third party and the amount due to settle the obligation can be measured or estimated reliably. Creditors are normally recognised at their settlement amount after allowing for any trade discounts due.

Taxation

The company is considered to pass the tests set out in Paragraph 1 Schedule 6 of the Finance Act 2010 and therefore it meets the definition of a charitable company for UK corporation tax purposes. Accordingly, the company is potentially exempt from taxation in respect of income or capital gains received within categories covered by Chapter 3 Part 11 of the Corporation Tax Act 2010 or Section 256 of the taxation of Chargeable Gains Act 1992, to the extent that such income or gains are applied exclusively to charitable purposes.

4. Limited by Guarantee

The company is limited by guarantee. At 31st March 2022 there were 6 members each of whom had undertaken to contribute an amount not exceeding £1 in the event of a winding up.

5. Donations and Legacies

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	**Total Funds 2022 £**
Donations			
Donations	547	–	**547**
Fundraising	1,885	–	**1,885**

5. Donations and Legacies *(continued)*

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	**Total Funds 2022 £**
Grants			
Durham County Council Fun & Food/Bishop Auckland & Shildon Area Action Partnership	–	23,526	**23,526**
Henry Smith Charity	–	50,350	**50,350**
National Lottery Community Fund	–	105,372	**105,372**
Garfield Weston	–	–	–
County Durham Community Foundation	–	7,500	**7,500**
Trusthouse Charitable Foundation	–	10,000	**10,000**
National Lottery Awards For All	–	9,290	**9,290**
County Durham Sport	–	–	–
Gaunless Gateway Big Local	3,869	10,000	**13,869**
Durham County Council	2,987	2,000	**4,987**
NE Youth (Kickstart)	18,440	–	**18,440**
Community Foundation Tyne & Wear and Northumberland - 1989 Willan Charitable trust	–	10,000	**10,000**
South Durham Enterprise Agency (Gaunless Gateway Big Local)	–	63,376	**63,376**
Virgin Money Foundation	–	–	–
Sir James Knott Foundation	–	–	–
Virgin Community Anchors Fund	–	8,000	**8,000**
West Auckland Youth Initiative	–	12,500	**12,500**
Community Foundation Tyne & Wear and Northumberland - Volunteering Project Fund	–	15,000	**15,000**
Other grants	3,564	12,830	**16,394**
	31,292	339,744	**371,036**

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2021 £
Donations			
Donations	311	–	311
Fundraising	272	–	272

5. Donations and Legacies *(continued)*

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2021 £
Grants			
Durham County Council Fun & Food/Bishop			
Auckland & Shildon Area Action Partnership	–	24,500	24,500
Henry Smith Charity	–	80,350	80,350
National Lottery Community Fund	–	103,323	103,323
Garfield Weston	–	10,000	10,000
County Durham Community Foundation	–	18,500	18,500
Trusthouse Charitable Foundation	–	12,500	12,500
National Lottery Awards For All	–	–	–
County Durham Sport	–	11,000	11,000
Gaunless Gateway Big Local	–	1,200	1,200
Durham County Council	823	11,088	11,911
NE Youth (Kickstart)	–	–	–
Community Foundation Tyne & Wear and Northumberland - 1989 Willan Charitable trust	–	–	–
South Durham Enterprise Agency (Gaunless Gateway Big Local)	–	84,407	84,407
Virgin Money Foundation	–	10,000	10,000
Sir James Knott Foundation	–	10,000	10,000
Virgin Community Anchors Fund	–	–	–
West Auckland Youth Initiative	–	–	–
Community Foundation Tyne & Wear and Northumberland - Volunteering Project Fund	–	–	–
Other grants	–	2,300	2,300
	1,406	379,168	380,574

6. Charitable Activities

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	**Total Funds 2022 £**
Room hire	6,024	–	**6,024**
Other Centre income	1,728	1,485	**3,213**
After Schools	10,243	–	**10,243**
Creche and Out of Schools	–	–	–
Playbus	–	2,390	**2,390**
Henknowle	–	4,596	**4,596**
	17,995	8,471	**26,466**

6. Charitable Activities *(continued)*

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2021 £
Room hire	2,275	–	2,275
Other Centre income	817	–	817
After Schools	9	–	9
Creche and Out of Schools	595	–	595
Playbus	–	–	–
Henknowle	–	2,062	2,062
	3,696	2,062	5,758

7. Income from Investments

	Unrestricted Funds £	**Total Funds 2022 £**	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2021 £
Bank interest receivable	17	**17**	24	24

8. Other Income

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	**Total Funds 2022 £**
Employment allowance	4,000	–	**4,000**
HMRC Job Retention Scheme	–	1,269	**1,269**
DCC Covid Support	2,667	8,000	**10,667**
Durham University Internship	–	–	–
	6,667	9,269	**15,936**

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2021 £
Employment allowance	4,000	–	4,000
HMRC Job Retention Scheme	34,836	8,868	43,704
DCC Covid Support	–	22,238	22,238
Durham University Internship	3,485	–	3,485
	42,321	31,106	73,427

9. Expenditure on Charitable Activities by Fund Type

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	**Total Funds 2022 £**
Centre costs	74,040	15,161	**89,201**
Playbus	–	11,311	**11,311**
National Lottery Reaching Communities	–	100,238	**100,238**
Gaunless Gateway Big Local	–	50,244	**50,244**
Henry Smith Strengthening Communities/Covid support	–	62,105	**62,105**
After Schools	10,664	–	**10,664**
Creche/Out of Schools	–	–	**–**
Holiday Activities	–	22,999	**22,999**
PCVC Community Safety	–	10,000	**10,000**
Henknowle	–	5,045	**5,045**
AAP Detached/AYCC Youth Work	–	15,910	**15,910**
Other project costs	2,820	37,780	**40,600**
	87,524	330,793	**418,317**

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2021 £
Centre costs	77,395	32,696	110,091
Playbus	–	10,897	10,897
National Lottery Reaching Communities	–	85,012	85,012
Gaunless Gateway Big Local	–	39,193	39,193
Henry Smith Strengthening Communities/Covid support	–	31,961	31,961
After Schools	13,334	1,108	14,442
Creche/Out of Schools	25,690	–	25,690
Holiday Activities	–	–	–
PCVC Community Safety	–	–	–
Henknowle	–	4,507	4,507
AAP Detached/AYCC Youth Work	–	14,692	14,692
Other project costs	1,635	33,195	34,830
	118,054	253,261	371,315

10. Expenditure on Charitable Activities by Activity Type

	Activities undertaken directly £	**Total funds 2022 £**	Total fund 2021 £
Centre costs	89,201	**89,201**	110,091
Playbus	11,311	**11,311**	10,897
National Lottery Reaching Communities	100,238	**100,238**	85,012
Gaunless Gateway Big Local	50,244	**50,244**	39,193
Henry Smith Strengthening Communities/Covid support	62,105	**62,105**	31,961

After Schools	10,664	**10,664**	14,442
Creche/Out of Schools	–	**–**	25,690
Holiday Activities	22,999	**22,999**	–
PCVC Community Safety	10,000	**10,000**	–
Henknowle	5,045	**5,045**	4,507
AAP Detached/AYCC Youth Work	15,910	**15,910**	14,692
Other project costs	40,600	**40,600**	34,830
	418,317	**418,317**	371,315

11. Net (Expenditure)/Income

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

	2022	2021
	£	£
Depreciation of tangible fixed assets	**4,368**	4,594

12. Independent Examination Fees

	2022	2021
	£	£
Fees payable to the independent examiner for:		
Independent examination of the financial statements	**720**	720

13. Staff Costs and Emoluments

The total staff costs and employee benefits for the reporting period are analysed as follows:

	2022	2021
	£	£
Wages and salaries	**277,414**	234,950
Social security costs	**17,326**	14,383
Employer contributions to pension plans	**5,075**	4,541
Other employee benefits	**–**	9,041
	299,815	262,915

The average head count of employees during the year was 26 (2021: 23). The average number of full-time equivalent employees during the year is analysed as follows:

	2022	2021
	No.	No.
Number of management staff	**3**	3
Number of Centre staff	**2**	2
Number of Creche/Out of School staff	**–**	2
Number of project staff	**8**	4
	13	11

No employee received employee benefits of more than £60,000 during the year (2021: Nil).

Key Management Personnel

Key management personnel include all persons that have authority and responsibility for planning, directing and controlling the activities of the charity. The total compensation paid to key management personnel for services provided to the charity was £90,175 (2021:£82,627).

14. Trustee Remuneration and Expenses

No trustees received remuneration during the year (2021 - Nil).

During the year 2 trustees were reimbursed expenses totalling £2,046 (2021 - £475).

15. Transfers Between Funds

During the year £67,532 was transferred from restricted to unrestricted funds. This comprised:

	2022 £
Centre cost contributions from projects	**34,681**
Contributions to other projects	**15,226**
Room hire paid by projects	**4,490**
Topping up redundancy fund	**4,639**
Reclassifying detached YW fund	**5,212**
Other transfers	**3,284**
	67,532

16. Tangible Fixed Assets

	Long leasehold property £	Equipment £	Total £
Cost			
At 1 April 2021 and 31 March 2022	77,165	88,583	**165,748**
Depreciation			
At 1 April 2021	42,337	80,046	**122,383**
Charge for the year	3,087	1,281	**4,368**
At 31 March 2022	45,424	81,327	**126,751**
Carrying amount			
At 31 March 2022	31,741	7,256	**38,997**
At 31 March 2021	34,828	8,537	43,365

17. Debtors

	2022 £	2021 £
Trade debtors	**75**	–
Prepayments and accrued income	**4,376**	4,297
	4,451	4,297

18. Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2022	2021
	£	£
Creditors and accruals	**12,603**	7,103
Other creditors	**–**	3,334
	12,603	10,437

19. Pensions and Other Post Retirement Benefits

Defined contribution plans

The amount recognised in income or expenditure as an expense in relation to defined contribution plans was £5,075 (2021: £4,541).

20. Analysis of Charitable Funds

Unrestricted funds

	At 1 April 2021	Income	Expenditure	Transfers	At 31 March 2022
	£	£	£	£	£
General Fund	21,080	43,347	(69,671)	28,984	**23,740**
Capital Fund	43,365	–	(4,368)	–	**38,997**
Redundancy Fund	9,728	–	–	11,725	**21,453**
Disability Group	1,478	463	(145)	3,262	**5,058**
After Schools	3,807	10,243	(10,665)	3,652	**7,037**
Out of Schools & Creche	–	–	–	–	–
Challenge & Support Group	4,840	118	(2,675)	7,962	**10,245**

Girls' Friendly Society	65	–	–	–	**65**
Stay 'n' Play	902	–	–	–	**902**
Long term liabilities	–	–	–	–	–
AYCC Training	–	1,750	–	4,000	**5,750**
Craft & Support Project	–	50	–	1,500	**1,550**
Detached youth Work	–	–	–	6,134	**6,134**
Pick N Mix group	–	–	–	313	**313**
	85,265	55,971	(87,524)	67,532	**121,244**

	At 1 April 2020 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfers £	At 31 March 2021 £
General Fund	29,064	19,547	(64,259)	36,728	21,080
Capital Fund	46,360	–	(4,594)	1,599	43,365
Redundancy Fund	9,728	–	(9,041)	9,041	9,728
Disability Group	1,556	316	(394)	–	1,478
After Schools	5,643	7,931	(13,334)	3,567	3,807
Out of Schools & Creche	(6,700)	18,914	(25,690)	13,476	–
Challenge & Support Group	3,242	739	(622)	1,481	4,840
Girls' Friendly Society	185	–	(120)	–	65
Stay 'n' Play	902	–	–	–	902
Long term liabilities	(3,334)	–	–	3,334	–
AYCC Training	–	–	–	–	–
Craft & Support Project	–	–	–	–	–
Detached youth Work	–	–	–	–	–
Pick N Mix group	–	–	–	–	–
	86,646	47,447	(118,054)	69,226	85,265

20. Analysis of Charitable Funds *(continued)*

Designated funds are for the following purposes:

After Schools - This fund comprises fee income from participants in the After Schools Club, and it is to be spent on After Schools provision.

Challenge & Support Project - This fund comprises fee income from participants in the Challenge & Support Project and it is to be spent on the same.

Craft & Support Project - This fund comprises fee income from participants in the Craft & Support Project and it is to be spent on the same.

Disability Group - This fund comprises fee income from participants in the Disability Group and it is to be spent on the same.

Girls Friendly Society Group - This fund comprises fee income from participants in the Girls Friendly Society and it is to be spent on the same.

Pick "N" Mix Group - This fund comprises fee income from users of the

Pick "N" Mix Group provision, and it is to be spent on the same.

Stay & Play Project - This fund comprises fee income from participants in the Stay & Play Project and it is to be spent on the same.

Contingency Fund - This fund comprises money set aside for redundancies.

Training Fund - This fund comprises money set aside for training for staff, volunteers and trustees.

Capital - This fund contains all the fixed assets.

Restricted funds

	At 1 April 2021 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfers £	**At 31 March 2022 £**
National Lottery Community Fund	28,933	105,372	(100,238)	(19,765)	**14,302**
Bishop Auckland & Shildon AAP Detached Youth Work	27,212	–	(15,910)	(6,772)	**4,530**
CDCF After Schools grant	1,392	–	(1,392)	–	–
CDCF Covid 19 Sustainability grant	1,350	–	(100)	(1,250)	–
Gaunless Gateway/Dales Area EIC Youth Forum	–	–	–	–	–
AAP AYCC Disability Project	1,420	–	(1,420)	–	–

20. Analysis of Charitable Funds *(continued)*

Trusthouse Charitable Foundation	–	10,000	(10,000)	–	–
AAP AYCC Widening Horizon Project	–	–	–	–	–
Henknowle	–	5,045	(5,045)	–	–
Playbus	2,671	13,210	(11,311)	–	**4,570**
Pick 'n' Mix Group	313	–	–	(313)	–
AAP Getting Creative	–	–	–	–	–
AYCC Covid 19 Response Sessions	3,518	–	(3,518)	–	–
DCC Neighbourhood Budget	1,059	–	(1,059)	–	–
Gaunless Gateway Intergenerational project	579	–	(579)	–	–
Henry Smith Charity - Covid 19	21,219	34,100	(43,417)	–	**11,902**
Henry Smith Charity - Strengthening Communities	16,250	16,250	(18,688)	(13,812)	–
National Lottery Awards For All	–	9,290	–	–	**9,290**
Holiday Activities Fund	366	24,576	(23,000)	(1,942)	–
Scotto Trust	–	–	–	–	–
SCYPAN Detached Youth Work	639	–	(639)	–	–
Streetgames Project No. 1	1,865	–	(1,365)	(500)	–
Streetgames Project No. 2	423	–	–	(423)	–
Sport England fund	2,288	–	(1,008)	(1,280)	–
Weardale Area Action Partnership Playbus	–	–	–	–	–
West Auckland Youth Initiative	4,265	12,500	(7,684)	–	**9,081**
Virgin Money Foundation	–	–	–	–	–
Sir James Knott Foundation	5,772	–	(5,772)	–	–
NE Youth	400	–	(790)	390	–
Scholefield Trust	1,000	–	(1,000)	–	–
Garfield Weston	7,304	–	(3,761)	(3,543)	–

20. Analysis of Charitable Funds *(continued)*

Gaunless Gateway Big Local	22,121	63,376	(50,242)	–	**35,255**
Gaunless Gateway Caring & Sharing for Christmas	–	–	–	–	–
AYCC Satellite Project No. 3	1,949	–	(1,209)	–	**740**
AYCC Shildon Satellite Project	3,000	–	(1,354)	–	**1,646**
PCVC's Community Safety Fund	10,000	–	(10,000)	–	–
DCC Covid 19 Business grant	–	–	–	–	–
British & Foreign Schools Society	–	5,000	(5,000)	–	–
CDCF Arquiva grant	–	1,500	–	(1,500)	–
CDCF CG funding programme	–	5,000	–	–	**5,000**
CDCF Storm Arwen grant	–	1,000	–	–	**1,000**
Community Foundation Tyne & Wear and Northumberland - 1989 Willan Charitable Trust	–	10,000	–	–	**10,000**
Community Foundation Tyne & Wear and Northumberland - Newcastle Building Society	–	3,000	–	–	**3,000**

20. Analysis of Charitable Funds *(continued)*

Community Foundation Tyne & Wear and Northumberland - Volunteering Project Fund	–	15,000	–	–	**15,000**
DCC Covid-19 support grant	–	8,000	–	(8,000)	–
Durham Yotuh Conferences grant	–	2,000	(2,000)	–	–
SCYPAN Holiday Sessions	–	435	(435)	–	–
Virgin Community Anchors Fund	–	8,000	(1,400)	(6,600)	–
Youth Focus NE (The Youth Endowment Fund)	–	4,830	(1,457)	(2,222)	**1,151**
	167,308	357,484	(330,793)	(67,532)	**126,467**

	At 1 April 2020 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfers £	At 31 March 2021 £
National Lottery Community Fund	19,615	103,323	(85,012)	(8,993)	28,933
Bishop Auckland & Shildon AAP Detached Youth Work	10,640	28,263	(14,691)	3,000	27,212
CDCF After Schools grant	–	3,500	(1,108)	(1,000)	1,392
CDCF Covid 19 Sustainability grant	–	5,000	(1,325)	(2,325)	1,350
Gaunless Gateway/Dales Area EIC Youth Forum	1,631	–	(150)	(1,481)	–
AAP AYCC Disability Project	2,605	–	(1,185)	–	1,420
Trusthouse Charitable Foundation	–	12,500	(12,500)	–	–
AAP AYCC Widening Horizon Project	9,320	–	(9,320)	–	–
Henknowle	–	4,507	(4,507)	–	–
Playbus	8,045	5,524	(10,898)	–	2,671
Pick 'n' Mix Group	313	–	–	–	313
AAP Getting Creative	–	2,500	(2,500)	–	–
AYCC Covid 19 Response Sessions	–	5,000	(582)	(900)	3,518
DCC Neighbourhood Budget	–	4,020	(2,961)	–	1,059
Gaunless Gateway Intergenerational project	579	–	–	–	579

20. Analysis of Charitable Funds *(continued)*

Henry Smith Charity - Covid 19	–	34,100	(9,782)	(3,099)	21,219
Henry Smith Charity - Strengthening Communities	–	46,250	(22,179)	(7,821)	16,250
National Lottery Awards For All	10,000	–	(10,000)	–	–
Holiday Activities Fund	–	2,968	(2,602)	–	366
Scotto Trust	7,500	–	(7,500)	–	–
SCYPAN Detached Youth Work	3,455	–	(2,816)	–	639
Streetgames Project No. 1	1,865	–	–	–	1,865
Streetgames Project No. 2	1,116	900	(1,593)	–	423
Sport England fund	–	5,000	(1,112)	(1,600)	2,288
Weardale Area Action Partnership Playbus	950	–	(950)	–	–
West Auckland Youth Initiative	(175)	6,500	(370)	(1,690)	4,265
Virgin Money Foundation	–	10,000	–	(10,000)	–
Sir James Knott Foundation	–	10,000	(4,228)	–	5,772
NE Youth	–	400	–	–	400
Scholefield Trust	–	1,000	–	–	1,000

20. Analysis of Charitable Funds *(continued)*

Garfield Weston	–	10,000	(2,696)	–	7,304
Gaunless Gateway Big Local	–	71,643	(39,193)	(10,329)	22,121
Gaunless Gateway Caring & Sharing for Christmas	–	1,200	(1,200)	–	–
AYCC Satellite Project No. 3	–	3,000	(301)	(750)	1,949
AYCC Shildon Satellite Project	–	3,000	–	–	3,000
PCVC's Community Safety Fund	–	10,000	–	–	10,000
DCC Covid 19 Business grant	–	22,238	–	(22,238)	–
	77,459	412,336	(253,261)	(69,226)	167,308

20. Analysis of Charitable Funds *(continued)*

Bishop Auckland and Shildon Area Action Partnership - BASH AAP (Detached Youth Work Project) - This grant is towards a detached youth work project across the area covered by Bishop Auckland and Shildon Area, specifically targeting young people who are not currently engaging in services and/or causing anti-social behaviour.

BASH AAP (AYCC Disability Project) - This grant is towards the staffing costs to allow us to deliver a disability project session.

BASH AAP (AYCC Widening Horizons' Project) - This grant is for specifically contributions towards the salaries of the Business Development Manager at the centre.

British & Foreign Schools Society (After Schools) - This grant is towards staffing costs, activities costs and snacks for our After Schools Project.

County Durham Sport (AYCC Satellite Project No 3) - This grant is to support children and young people who are classed as inactive with sport/fitness sessions and to try and reengage.

County Durham Sport (AYCC Shildon Satellite Project) - This grant is to support children and young people who are classed as inactive with sport/fitness sessions and to try and reengage specifically targeting those who live in Shildon, County Durham.

County Durham Community Foundation (Arqiva Grant) - This grant is to support local residents effected by the Bilsdale transmitter fire in the summer of 2021.

County Durham Community Foundation (After Schools) - This grant is towards staffing costs, activities costs and snacks for our After Schools Project.

County Durham Community Foundation (Community Grants Funding Programme Grant) - This grant is towards core running costs and publicity costs for the organisation.

County Durham Community Foundation (Covid-19 Sustainability Grant) - This grant is towards the purchasing of PPE for the centre. Also support costs towards hiring of additional tutors, volunteer expenses and centre running costs.

County Durham Community Foundation (Police, Crime & Victims' Commissioner (PCVC) - Community Safety Fund) This grant is towards a detached youth work project across Woodhouse Close estate, specifically targeting young people who are not currently engaging in services.

County Durham Community Foundation (Storm Arwen Grant) - This grant is towards core running costs for the organisation.

Community Foundation Tyne & Wear and Northumberland (The 1989 Willan Charitable Trust Grant) - This grant is towards core running costs for the organisation.

Community Fund Tyne & Wear and Northumberland (Newcastle Building Society Community Grant) - This grant is towards supporting young people's employability skills and to be used in the delivery of employability support relating to courses and training.

Community Fund Tyne & Wear and Northumberland (Volunteering Project Grant) - This grant is to employ a Volunteer Coordinator to work with volunteers to improve their skills and the work of the organisation.

Detached Youth Work - This fund comprises of income generated towards a detached youth work project across the area covered by Bishop Auckland and Shildon Area Action Partnership.

Durham County Council Neighbourhood Budget (AYCC Covid-19 Response Sessions) - This

20. Analysis of Charitable Funds *(continued)*

grant is towards additional support sessions for children 4-10-year-olds and additional sessions of our Craft and Support Project. This is due to limited numbers in original sessions due to restrictions.

Durham County Council Neighbourhood Budget (Improving Facilities At AYCC) - This grant is towards installing two new radiators in the large drop in area and to purchase a fridge, microwave and kitchen utensils.

Durham County Council (Durham Countywide Youth Network Conferences Grant) - This grant was awarded to AYCC as a host organisation to support the running and development of the Durham Youth Network Conference 2022.

Garfield Weston Foundation - This grant is towards core running costs for the organisation.

Gaunless Gateway (Big Local Agreement) - This grant is to allow AYCC to employee two workers from the Gaunless Gateway Big Local for a period of 2 years.

Gaunless Gateway (Intergenerational Project) - This grant is towards the delivery of an intergenerational project.

Henry Smith Charity (Covid-19 Grant - AYCC Better Connections Project) - This grant was for a digital inclusion project, which will provide a range of online support services and weekly in person IT training sessions for disadvantaged individuals impacted by COVID-19.

Henry Smith Charity (Strengthening Communities Grant) - This grant is for centre core running costs, specifically contributions towards the salaries of the Administration Worker and Cleaner.

Holiday Activities Fund - This fund is for various grants received to support children and their families across the area to food and activity packs during school holidays periods.

National Lottery Awards For All (Family Intervention and Support Programme Grant) - This grant is to pay sessional workers to support families on Woodhouse Close Estate.

National Lottery Community Fund (Widening Horizons' Project) - This grant is to deliver the Widening Horizons Project over a three-year period (2019-22), to support people living on the Woodhouse Close Estate and the surrounding area with projects and activities based around four key outcomes.

NE Youth Limited (Healthy & Happy Project) - This grant is to allow young people to create scrapbooks of their experiences during the COVID 19 pandemic.

Scholefield Trust - This grant is for activities for children and young people.

Shildon Children and Young People's Action Network (SCYPAN)Detached - This grant is towards a detached youth work project across Shildon, specifically targeting young people who are not currently engaging in services.

Shildon Children and Young People's Action Network (SCYPAN) Holiday Sessions - This grant is towards holiday sessions across Shildon, specifically targeting young people who are not currently engaging in services.

Sir James Knott - This grant is for specifically contributions towards the salaries of the Community Development Worker at the centre.

Sport England's Tackling Inequalities - This grant is towards the purchasing of PPE for the centre. Also support costs towards hiring of additional tutors, volunteer expenses and centre running costs. This grant also allowed for us to have reduced rates for returning groups who wish

20. Analysis of Charitable Funds *(continued)*

to hire our centre.

Street Games (Project No 1) - This grant is for the Street Games project which meets once a week on Woodhouse Close Estate to combat anti-social behaviour in the community during the summer months.

Street Games (Project No 2) - This grant is for the Street Games project which meets once a week on Woodhouse Close Estate to combat anti-social behaviour in the community during the winter months.

Trusthouse Charitable Foundation - This grant is for centre running costs, specifically contributions towards the salaries of the Administration Worker and Cleaner.

Virgin Money Foundation Community Anchors' Fund This grant is towards core running costs for the organisation.

West Auckland Youth Initiative Project - This grant is towards a youth work project across West Auckland, specifically targeting young people who are not currently engaging in services.

Youth Focus NE - The Youth Endowment Fund (Peer Research & Social Action Network Project) - This grant is to support a peer research young person to work on issues in the area.

Henknowle - This fund is for the caretaker's salary at Henknowle Community Centre.

Playbus - This grant allows us to deliver this project which is a fully fitted mobile soft play area that can be used for children's activities, community events, and private parties and also be used as a tool for engagement.

21. Analysis of Net Assets Between Funds

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	**Total Funds 2022 £**
Tangible fixed assets	38,997	–	**38,997**
Current Assets	94,850	126,467	**221,317**
Creditors less than 1 year	(12,603)	–	**(12,603)**
Net assets	121,244	126,467	**247,711**

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2021 £
Tangible fixed assets	43,365	–	43,365
Current Assets	52,337	167,308	219,645
Creditors less than 1 year	(10,437)	–	(10,437)
Creditors greater than 1 year	–	–	–
Net assets	85,265	167,308	252,573

22. Operating Lease Commitments

The total future minimum lease payments under non-cancellable operating leases are as follows:

	2022	2021
	£	£
Not later than 1 year	**4,458**	4,458
Later than 1 year and not later than 5 years	**5,098**	10,141
	9,556	14,599

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Management Information

Year Ended 31 March 2022

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Detailed Statement of Financial Activities

Year Ended 31 March 2022

	2022 £	2021 £
Income and endowments		
Donations and legacies		
Donations	**547**	311
Fundraising	**1,885**	272
Durham County Council Fun & Food/Bishop Auckland & Shildon Area Action Partnership	**23,526**	24,500
Henry Smith Charity	**50,350**	80,350
National Lottery Community Fund	**105,372**	103,323
Garfield Weston	**–**	10,000
County Durham Community Foundation	**7,500**	18,500
Trusthouse Charitable Foundation	**10,000**	12,500
National Lottery Awards For All	**9,290**	–
County Durham Sport	**–**	11,000
Gaunless Gateway Big Local	**13,869**	1,200
Durham County Council	**4,987**	11,911
NE Youth (Kickstart)	**18,440**	–
Community Foundation Tyne & Wear and Northumberland - 1989 Willan Charitable trust	**10,000**	–
South Durham Enterprise Agency (Gaunless Gateway Big Local)	**63,376**	84,407
Virgin Money Foundation	**–**	10,000
Sir James Knott Foundation	**–**	10,000
Virgin Community Anchors Fund	**8,000**	–
West Auckland Youth Initiative	**12,500**	–
Community Foundation Tyne & Wear and Northumberland - Volunteering Project Fund	**15,000**	–
Other grants	**16,394**	2,300
	371,036	380,574
Charitable activities		
Room hire	**6,024**	2,275
Other Centre income	**3,213**	817
After Schools	**10,243**	9
Creche and Out of Schools	**–**	595
Playbus	**2,390**	–
Henknowle	**4,596**	2,062
	26,466	5,758

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Detailed Statement of Financial Activities *(continued)*

Year Ended 31 March 2022

	2022 £	2021 £
Income from investments		
Bank interest receivable	17	24
Other income		
Employment allowance	**4,000**	4,000
HMRC Job Retention Scheme	**1,269**	43,704
DCC Covid Support	**10,667**	22,238
Durham University Internship	**–**	3,485
	15,936	73,427
Total income	**413,455**	459,783
Expenditure		
Expenditure on charitable activities		
Wages and salaries	**277,414**	234,950
Employer's NIC	**17,326**	14,383
Pension costs	**5,075**	4,541
Redundancy costs	**–**	9,041
Premises costs	**15,307**	14,440
Premises refurbishment costs	**14,324**	27,475
Office costs	**7,337**	7,695
Depreciation	**4,368**	4,594
Other costs	**72,073**	50,197
Accountancy and Independent Examination	**720**	720
Professional fees and consultancy	**4,373**	3,279
Total expenditure	**418,317**	371,315
Net (expenditure)/income	**(4,862)**	88,468

AUCKLAND YOUTH AND COMMUNITY CENTRE

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Accounts

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Auckland Youth and Community Centre Limited

Financial Statements

For the Year Ending

31 March 2021

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Year Ended 31 March 2021

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Trustees' Annual Report (Incorporating the Director's Report)

Year Ended 31 March 2021

The trustees, who are also the directors for the purposes of company law, present their report and the unaudited financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2021.

Objectives and Activities

The objectives for which the charity is established are:-

1) To maintain and manage the building in furtherance of the objectives;
2) To promote the benefit of the inhabitants of Bishop Auckland, primarily residents of Woodhouse Close Estate without distinction of sex, sexual orientation, race or of political, religious or other opinions, by associating together the said inhabitants and the local authorities, voluntary and other organisations in a common effort to advance education and to provide facilities in the interest of social welfare, with the objective of improving the conditions of life for the said inhabitants, and
3) To promote such other charitable purposes as may from time to time be determined.

The Centre aims to:-

1) Improve the conditions of life for the inhabitants of Woodhouse Close Estate and the surrounding area.
2) Seek funding to maintain staff to develop the Centre and its objectives.
3) Initiate activities and facilities to meet the needs of the Centre's users and the wider community.
4) Work in partnership with other agencies, groups and organisations to further the aims.
5) Encourage participation from members of the community to become actively involved in the management and the running of the Centre.
6) Promote the benefit of the community of Woodhouse Close residents by associating together volunteers and organisations in a common effort to improve the quality.

Achievements and Performance

The financial year 2020-21 has proved to be a real challenge for the Board of Trustees. The COVID-19 restrictions and series of lockdowns has impacted on the organisation's ability to deliver services. Existing services, at times, have been severely restricted. In response to the challenge, however, the organisation has developed a range of new on-line services to meet the challenges faced under the COVID-19 lockdowns.

Services in the Centre, on the Woodhouse Close Estate and the wider Bishop Auckland area continue to be delivered by qualified and committed staff employed by Auckland Youth and Community Centre Ltd. The main activities during the reporting period were as follows:

Out of School Club
(Information provided by Nadine Kipling, Board of Trustees.)

In April 2020, the Out of School Club was closed due to the lockdown restrictions relating to the COVID-19 pandemic. After consulting with parents and carers, it was decided there was insufficient demand for the service at that time, therefore, the Club was suspended and the four staff members were put on furlough leave along with several other staff members in the organisation.

As the year progressed, and Auckland Youth and Community Centre Ltd. was able to reopen several activities, it became apparent that the Out of School Club had many difficulties to overcome to be able to provide a normal service, due to COVID-19 regulations. Parents and carers were consulted about their future childcare requirements, as and when the Club was able to resume. Unfortunately, the demand was very low and it soon became apparent that the Club was in jeopardy.

The Board of Trustees discussed the situation at length, consulted parents and carers and reluctantly agreed that the Club would need to be closed.

The staff were supported through the consultation and redundancy processes and the Out of School Club was closed on the 31st October 2020.

This was a very sad time for the organisation as the Out of School Club had been a valuable asset for many years.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank our dedicated staff team, Pamela Walton, Natalie Ellison, Marie Jayne and Caitlin Jayne for their years of service and loyalty to the Club and wish them well for the future.

Achievements and Performance *(continued)*

Delivery Team Activities
(Information provided David McCreedy, Delivery Manager.)

National Lottery Community Fund (NLCF) - Widening Horizons Project
During the last year, at times, 90% of our direct delivery had stopped because of the first lockdown and the need for social distancing. With everyone trying to find the balance between self-isolating, social distancing and 'getting back to normal', there has never been a more important time to stay connected to our local community during COVID-19.

The Widening Horizons Project 4th year started off just as well as the successful 3rd year had ended. There was a momentum to see real change in early 2020 - and for the year ahead.

We quickly recognised the enormity of the challenges faced by local community providers in responding to COVID-19. At very short notice, some of our services developed new procedures and ways of working. They looked at how they worked with others and how people we support can stay connected with our services.

The unpredictability and uncertainty of the COVID-19 pandemic soon became clear. Of particular concern was the risk that the associated lockdowns, physical distancing, other containment strategies and the resulting economic breakdown could increase the risk of mental health problems and exacerbate health inequalities. These concerns were all at the forefront of planning and preparation for the Widening Horizons Project to continue during the pandemic. AYCC started to think of issues that may start to arise because of the pandemic and how our NLCF-funded project could support and help the local community.

AYCC have offered floating support services during the last year; offering telephone support and essential face to face contact to our users, with more telephone support to regular users (for instance where regular face to face support was no longer possible). This helped to ensure that people were staying well and keeping up morale. We have even managed via phone and emails to support a family facing homelessness into temporary accommodation. The family has now moved into new accommodation and is is settling in; no longer at risk of homelessness.

We have supported a number of families in regard to financial issues; engaging by telephone with them after conversing with other practitioners with whom they'd already spoken. We carefully planned positive engagements with the users to reduce anxiety; also helping to increase their confidence by successfully encouraging them to share their wishes and values over the phone.

We know our numbers are incredibly low this year but we have managed more targeted support and the impact has been truly incredible. We created a number of lockdown packs for children and young people. Our lockdown packs were compiled to support parents and carers whilst their children and young people were at home during the COVID-19 lockdown. The lockdown packs were educational, but most importantly excited and inspired children and young people. They included open ended project ideas and research topics, activities to explore independently or together, games to play, ideas for science experiments, art and craft ideas and links to other learning resources. We believe our project was a great success. Over 250 children and young people have been supported so far since the delivery of our first pack. We have also created packs to "keep to one side" just in case of a further lockdown which we can easily distribute. Initially we struggled to get the packs out to children and young people, but with exploration and work we were able to look at local organisations who can distribute to local families when they attended their services (for example those who attend local foodbanks).

During the year, we tried to take as many activities as possible outside - to limit the risks of COVID-19. A new project is in the process of being set up called Woodland Wellbeing and will form a part of the Widening Horizons Project. The Woodland Wellbeing project is based on working alongside the five steps to wellbeing set out by the NHS. We have taken each step and set out how being outside in the natural environment will fit in with the NHS five steps to wellbeing and improve people's quality of life,

Achievements and Performance *(continued)*

as follows:

- Connect to others through shared experience and to the wider natural environment.
- Be active through walking, conservation work, arts, crafts and bush craft skills.
- Keep learning about wildlife, tool use and through creative expression.
- Give to others through conservation work, wildlife surveys and supporting each other as a group.
- Take notice through sensory activities, meditation and spending regular time outdoors.

The sessions will be based around the needs of the clients but could include activities from the list below. During the first week we would run a get to know each other session and discuss what they would all like to get out of the programme as a group or individually. Sessions can be different every week or they can run into each other starting with the basics such as fire lighting and progressing on and learning the full range of outdoor based activities such as:

- Bush craft skills such as shelter building.
- Nature-based arts and crafts.
- Practical woodland management.
- Conservation and wildlife surveys.
- Activities that focus on mindfulness and relaxation.
- Learning how to light and site fires and how to safely extinguish (flint and steel, bow drills).

User involvement through co-design of services and programmes is as important as it has ever been, possibly even more so during a pandemic. COVID-19 raised numerous ethical questions and dilemmas for all of our users. Users have expressed concerns about potential future delivery cuts, reduced service access, inadequate financial support and exacerbation of inequalities in access to community centre services. From this feedback, we developed additional sessions - when we were allowed to do so - in order to reassure users that services would resume, albeit in different ways.

We know that, for the best outcomes, our users and their families need to feel empowered to take ownership of their journey, which they have done prior to COVID-19. This requirement is arguably more important now than ever, when service access is limited, and face-to-face contact is often unavailable. The relative risks and benefits of treatment changes to limit potential exposure to COVID-19 is at the forefront of staff and our Board of Trustees. With this in mind, our session plans were re-negotiated and re-designed, based on best practices.

We know service user involvement is a complex and ambiguous idea. It is one of those objectives, like partnership and empowerment, which can easily be tarnished, diluted and devalued if not done correctly. Our staff supported our users through various ways to get involved in planning our activities during lockdown. They asked our users for feedback on what type of services they wanted delivered - and how they wanted them delivered.

We know our numbers are incredibly low this year but we have still worked with over 400 people of varying ages. We have managed successfully to support them through a varied range of activities, which best suit their needs.

We have had two to three regular volunteers who have supported our delivery work. Some of our older volunteers - or those with underlying health risks - were unable to attend the Centre due to the pandemic. However, we have seen an increase in volunteers to support the development of the organisation as a whole, for example with regard to strategic planning and development. This year, volunteer interest has remained high and volunteer contributions have remained impressive.

One thing to come out of the pandemic is the work we have done with new users, who have not engaged with our services before. We have seen this increase because of the situation they are in. People have become so reliant on the services we have delivered. Feedback has been invaluable - unfortunately the limiting factor has been the small group numbers, which COVID restrictions have allowed us to work with.

Achievements and Performance *(continued)*

We are working extremely well with our nominated partner in Woodhouse Close Church Community Centre. An example of this was the creation of additional holiday hunger projects. We also had the flexibility to refer our users to our Crisis Support Worker if they needed additional support. We have also had conversations with local supermarkets regarding possible partnership work and how best to support Woodhouse Close residents through our NLCF-funded project.

Some of those who we have helped during the last year - from three core aims:

Helping to reduce loneliness and isolation:
A was identified by a regular user to AYCC as being isolated and lonely. A is in their mid-60s and is a widower. After initial discussions with a member of staff, A's neighbour was able to take round information about the services we offered here at AYCC. A now has a weekly visitor, for some company and attends our Centre for an activity but now also attends other local services.

Independent Living:
During one of our sessions, it was identified by our workers that B needed support with practical chores, and was given advice on how to manage many daily chores, including washing, ironing, cooking and cleaning. B is now in continuous contact with our workers in case of any issues or concerns they may have.

Support with Mental Health and Wellbeing:
C first visited their GP 3 years ago due to feeling very low and was diagnosed as being depressed. C was facing a number of challenges in their life including a serious physical illness, recent divorce and also was the main carer for their elderly father. C was signposted to AYCC for the Craft and Support Project we delivered through NLCF where she received some initial support from our worker. Our worker opened up a number of local support groups including a local dancing class and conservation group. Now C is feeling more in control of her life and was settled into a number of supportive structures including her local church. The mental health nurse gradually reduced contact. C is clear that if they need more support that we are here and we can help find ways for her to access other services.

Resuming services has been the biggest challenge this year. We are aware numbers would be low in the Centre and attendees to our sessions. We worked tirelessly in the early part of lockdown to be ready to open the doors to the Centre as quickly and safely as possible. Despite the positive interventions we have made over the years in our local community, the reality of severe poverty prevails in Woodhouse Close.

Just like 'pockets of deprivation' in similar communities elsewhere, the consequences of welfare reform (particularly the introduction of Universal Credit and, previously, the Bedroom Tax) are combining with 10 years of austerity, cuts to local government services and legal aid. In Woodhouse Close, such measures, and their knock-on effects, continue to bite extremely hard and impact many families and individuals; often, those most in need of help are worst affected. Consequently, we have been approached by lots of vulnerable people wanting access to services they may have never needed before. We have been quick to adapt where needed.

Most recently, the health and economic impacts of COVID-19 have had a significant impact upon local residents. Reports now beginning to emerge tell of the disproportionate impacts of the pandemic now being felt by the most disadvantaged communities such as ours. Looking at ONS data relating to deaths involving COVID-19 the mortality rate in the least deprived areas (decile 10) in England was less than half of the mortality rate in the most deprived areas across April to July. The age-standardised mortality rate of deaths involving COVID-19 was 3.1 deaths per 100,000 population for the most deprived areas in England in July; this was statistically significantly higher than the 1.4 deaths per 100,000 population in the least deprived areas. The least deprived areas are also statistically significantly lower across all-cause mortality for the months March to July.

Achievements and Performance *(continued)*

Over the five months, on average, the rate of all-cause mortality was 1.9 times higher in the most deprived area than in the least deprived area. This increased to 2.2 times higher when looking at deaths involving COVID-19.
Source: "Deaths Involving Covid-19 by Local Area and Socioeconomic Deprivation: Deaths Occurring Between 1 March and 31 July 2020" - Office for National Statistics (ONS).

We know from the fallout of COVID-19 and looking ahead into 2021 we know there is going to be a greater need for our work and our NLCF project than ever before.

Making sure our activities and services were there to support those most severely affected by COVID-19 were the proudest moments this year. All the staff, volunteers and Board of Trustees supported our work and in particular the NLCF project.

As with most organisations, we moved more activities online, where feasible, with new online services e.g. 'how-to' videos, training for groups and individuals, to include targeted support for e.g. the most isolated or vulnerable; jobseekers; people requiring help with IT; people suffering poor mental health. We looked at improving means of our online contact to offer a same-day response to those needing help, whilst providing more weekly training sessions at the Centre to help people develop IT skills. Our areas of focus included helping people to become more financially resilient; find or retain work; or master a new hobby.

When we could, we provided weekly outreach services, taking support to people's homes remotely, where they are socially isolated and cannot easily access services outside of their home. We have also looked at recruiting and training volunteers to support the project whilst providing them with essential skills and experience and knowledge.

One of biggest achievements is developing the infrastructure, systems (including in-house communications) and training programmes required to maximise the success of this project and because of this we have been able to move more services online and this will enable us to reach out to, and support, more people than before (local residents who have accessed our provision and those who haven't done so before), particularly those most socially isolated and those who do not easily leave their homes e.g. mobility or poverty.

We have made better use of our technology, marketing, social media outlets and the website where we have let more people know we are there for them, able to help them with problems, particularly those arising from COVID-19 and this has seen an improvement of people's physical, mental health and wellbeing through online activity, also helping them to feel less isolated. We are looking at developing training and 1-1 support (Centre based and outreach), e.g. use of computers and getting online, which will build local people's skills, experiences, confidence and resilience, to fulfil their potential and improve their life chances. We are also making better use of our marketing and communications plan, for example, to celebrate and share local people's achievements and their positive impacts upon our community - through "good news" stories, case studies, blogs and social media.

Our NLCF project is continuing to bring about change to the lives of local residents. This is really encouraging to note, even though much of our day to day contact was brought to a sudden stop in March 2020. Our evaluation of the project has found that, as an organisation, we are very quick to adapt and change our ways of working to support the local community. Whilst what was planned may not have been achieved this year, new things were achieved and we have continued to create a legacy of community development and involvement. We expect this to have a lasting impact.

That said, there is still plenty of work to be done. There is a continuing shift in people's feelings towards their community, people's spirit is high and that is encouraging to see. Very importantly, we also see the changes in people's attitudes in wanting to get involved.

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Challenge and Support Project (CSP) (Funded as part of the WHP - NLCF)

One element of our work that has flourished has been the Challenge and Support Project (CSP). One of the most significant public health measures implemented during the COVID-19 pandemic has been extended periods of 'lockdown' where whole populations have been advised to remain in their households other than to collect necessary supplies, to care for others, or to exercise. There are increasing calls to understand the impacts of this lockdown, and of subsequent school closures, on the mental health and wellbeing of young people during the COVID-19 pandemic.

During the last year, our staff worked incredibly hard to put into action a number of key areas where we believe young people would suffer the most of been caught up in the pandemic.

Our staff considered loneliness as a key risk factor of COVID-19 for the mental health and wellbeing of young people. A rapid action planning and review session took place to look at the links between loneliness and mental health problems in young people - and highlighting the potential increases in these links. Staff also noted that extended periods of school closures will no doubt impact on curriculum delivery over the coming years. As such, school is potentially an emerging source of distress and worry for young people.

In particular, the young people we worked with experienced concerns about their education being interrupted and their future career opportunities. With respect to returning to school, young people have reported having worries over losing the enjoyable aspects of school and the impact of social distancing on friendships. In particular, young people were worried about being away from home and transitioning between schools, whereas secondary aged children worry about increased academic pressures as well as catching COVID-19.

The CSP worked very closely with Youth Focus North East on two projects. One was called Local Challenge and the other was Big Days. Big Days funding was to support the creation of 50 Christmas Shoe Boxes for local care home residents. The Big Days programme gives young people the chance to attend events from which they may otherwise feel excluded, such as alternative school proms and Valentine's Day get-togethers. The programme involved 10-20 year olds in planning and organising events in their communities around key days of the year, such as Christmas and anniversaries, to help combat loneliness and isolation in both young and old people. Local Challenge was very similar, but allowed the team to create boxes and gifts for more care homes.

Achievements and Performance *(continued)*

Buttons - Disability Project

Buttons, AYCC's Disability Project, went from strength to strength. Initially, the project was delivered on a Monday evening but, during discussions with parents, AYCC looked at a new delivery day which would able further access to those who needed it. A decision was made in early 2020 to move the sessions to a Sunday afternoon. The sessions now allow for siblings of those who attend to come along to the session as well. This has helped us to deliver holistically for the whole family.

The project continues to have the same aims which include.

- Communication: Good communication is essential for a successful transition to work or training, for independence and to access a range of life opportunities. The role of communication in attainment and forming positive relationships is important. Improved communication skills have also been linked to reductions in re-offending.
- Confidence: Enabling young people to recognise that they can make a difference to their own lives is key - and that effort has a purpose and is important to key outcomes such as career success.
- Planning and problem solving: Problem solving, alongside resilience, provides young people with a 'positive protective armour' against negative outcomes associated with risky life events. Problem solving has also been shown to be associated with the ability to cope with stresses in life.
- Relationships and leadership: There is a strong relationship between emotional intelligence, positive school transitions and academic success.
- Creativity: Displaying creativity and imagination is related to resilience and wellbeing. Creativity can have an impact on both self-esteem and overall achievement.
- Resilience and determination: A number of studies show important effects from discipline, patience and motivation effect of early psychological wellbeing. These six outcomes will support the focus on improving social, emotional capabilities of the young people who attend.

Buttons continued to operate in some months during the pandemic; this was largely successful and was well attended. The workers are supporting those who attend but also speaking with and supporting families during the pandemic was important. The staff hope to continue to get the families involved in regular family get together when the time is right.

Young people are developing daily living skills through cooking sessions and also practicing motor skills with the craft sessions as some find the fine motor skills difficult to master but there has been significant progress made. The young people are always very keen to brainstorm new ideas to either fundraise or to learn new skills through fun activities, staff encourage this wherever possible. Currently, we support young people who are starting their transition from mainstream school to specialist provision. This is having a significant effect on their mental health as they are anxious about the change.

Staff are working very closely with them and their parents to work through their emotions. This process is expected to take months as it is expected to be a slow transition process. Staff are aware of what is happening and will include this matter at staff de-briefings. All young people have been told that they can bring one friend if they want to, it must be the same friend each session due to the bubble. The reasoning behind this is that the young people would struggle to attend a mainstream youth club and it therefore excludes them from social activities with their peers. Allowing them to bring a friend to the disability group helps to strengthen their friendship and reduces any preconceived thoughts about young people with disabilities, whilst encouraging equality and diversity.

Achievements and Performance ***(continued)***

The Big Purple Play Bus (TBPPB) - Supported by Gaunless Gateway Big Local Partnership (GGBLP) and the Family Intervention and Support Project (FISP).

Unfortunately, due to the pandemic, The Big Purple Play Bus (TBPPB) was unable to deliver any projects or activities during the year. We worked quickly to establish another project in its place but to have it available in case things had changed during the year.

This project is to deliver strategic objectives of the FISP which are as follows:

- To improve and strengthen the capacity of local parents by providing them access to information and the opportunity to develop new skills, take up training and increase their employment prospects.
- To ensure there is a strong local voice around all issues that affect local parents, their families and communities.
- To provide high quality support to children, young people, adults, isolated women, families and older people with a view to improving their standard of living by helping them to access new opportunities.
- To engage with local parents at every level, in order to address the social inclusion and community cohesion agenda.

In order to identify, understand and support the needs of parents, we have a dedicated Community Development Worker (CDW) who would be there to assist local parents and children and young people (CYP). Through our work with organisations within the community, we offered:

- One-to-one support, advocacy and representation.
- Promoting health services for both parent and child.
- Signposting to relevant support agencies.
- Assisting with issues such as debt, housing, counselling, relationships, parenting and play.
- Group work - creating peer support.
- Confidence building and skills improvement.

All of this work will focus on giving support to parents, establishing good parenting skills, developing groups and peer support networks and promoting engagement with other services. Evidence of this has been provided through local community meetings with individuals and groups. The CYP in the area have poor health. They do not have the finances to take part in planned activities, have poor personal hygiene and lack life skills. This has been highlighted in partnership meetings with the Local Housing Team, Local Schools and Police. The CYP have difficulties in school due to their behaviour and attitude. They have a tendency not to continue in further education or training after leaving school. Parents are at high risk of being unemployed and becoming involved in anti-social behaviour, crime, using substances such as drugs and alcohol and becoming homeless. These matters have been identified in the community meetings. The beneficiaries will need support with multiple challenges, for example in in overcoming drug and alcohol problems or a period of unemployment.

This project helped us to meet these participants' needs, by giving them an opportunity to fulfil their personal development. Parent involvement is a crucial force in children's development, learning, and success at school and in life so we have consulted with the local parents who use our service through group work sessions, one-to-one meetings and questionnaires in order to ascertain their views. We work closely with a number of schools in the area and have a number of parents on board who would form a steering group to support the project and its aims. Parents, teachers, and policy makers agree that parent involvement is an essential ingredient to children's learning and that is what our project will look to achieve, and we will use our fully fitted double decker play bus as a tool for engagement when we are able to do so which has proved extremely successful in the past engaging children and their families for the last three years.

The development of this project meant that many socially isolated and vulnerable children, young people, and adults previously slipping through the net will received supportive interventions, before behaviour became more problematic or a concern.

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This project offered a holistic, preventative approach to isolated people that needed additional support and are not accessing it elsewhere.

This project also allowed us to identify, develop and support initiatives, and to work in partnership with all other agencies and bodies operating in the area so we can reach as many people as possible (public, private and voluntary), in order to promote, support and advance the health and well-being of all parents of the area and to work in partnership to support any training and educational initiatives.

Family partnerships take time and effort to establish. Through this project, we intend to give parents associated with our projects the best possible opportunity to play an increasingly visible, substantial and effective role in achieving long term benefits for their children. This project has a continuing significant role to play in delivering our operational plan - so children supported by parents can be nurtured, safe, active, healthy, achieving, included, respected and responsible. We believe that all parents and children can be like this. But we also recognise that there are people with different needs, abilities and learning preferences. This project will create opportunities that can enhance the life of any child and parent but, for some, this project will have a more important or even critical role in enabling them to see and fulfil their true potential.

After School Club
During the last year, our After School Club has been an important club for our children, as it has for the last 50 years. We have not been able to deliver as many sessions as we would have liked, however when we have done it has been well attended with some parents still apprehensive about sending their children to clubs when we are still in the pandemic. We have delivered additional sessions since January 2021. This has allowed us to target those who we believe need our additional support. Our workers are working extremely hard to support children with additional needs and this will be the basis for ongoing training and development as well as looking at additional funding to support the Club's work.

Detached Youth Work Project
The Detached Youth Work Project has been a main stay during the pandemic. The team of workers have a worked incredibly hard to support young people with whom they have managed to engage.

Now more than ever, young people in the area need help, advice and support to manage with feelings of isolation associated with current social restrictions and concerns about their future. This project continues to support young people in two ways.

Firstly, young people, particularly those who are at risk of causing anti-social behaviour (ASB) and committing crimes, will be supported to develop their life-skills and enhance their involvement, participation, and engagement in local services.

Secondly because of COVID-19, workers will support young people with their mental health and well-being. The project will continue to check on the welfare and wellbeing of local young people, offering advice, support and guidance when needed. Given the closure of many young people's services and other building-based provision, the work of detached youth workers has taken on an even greater importance in recent months.

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West Auckland Youth Initiative

The West Auckland Youth Initiative started just before the first national lockdown. The project came about at the time there was no current provision of structured activities for children and young people from West Auckland and St. Helen Auckland since closure of Millbank Youth Centre for all ages. AYCC found that there was a reluctance from established organisations with suitable venues to host new initiatives - but that didn't stop AYCC and Gaunless Gateway Big Local Partnership (GGBLP) working together to find a venue. A suitable venue large enough to develop activities was identified: West Auckland Working Men's Club. AYCC applied to GGBLP and secured funding to develop a pilot project for six months which was to support youth based and after school activities, where we would look to integrate children and young people into positive community settings; developing activities using an evidence-based approach by analysing recent family and children research questionnaires and taking an holistic approach with appropriate partners coming together to help shape and deliver activities and secure long term sustainability. This work is currently ongoing, with partners now involved in the joint project including West Auckland Parish Council, GGBLP, Streetgames and the Vineyard Centre. Bringing together these partners will increase funding and also capacity to deliver the best project possible.

Delivery Team work - in summary

Throughout the pandemic, AYCC has been in a good position to help young people who find themselves needing support at this time. This project adhered to guidance on social distancing and AYCC continues work alongside the National Youth Agency (NYA) on guidance. The NYA as the Professional Statutory and Regulatory Body for youth work in England has, in consultation with Public Health England and the Health and Safety Executive, continued to develop youth sector specific advice and guidance.

Elsewhere, AYCC continues to work closely with local supermarkets on a range of different initiatives. Speaking with the Community Champions, they were keen on talking to specialist services like AYCC to support them with work with young people and others who remain socially isolated. AYCC staff explained there are a number of projects we could support them with including a Streetgames Project using their carpark for example to deliver traditional "street games". There were also discussions regarding our workers and how they can help support Anti-Social Behaviour in and around the supermarket, for instance workers could engage with young people and look to set up a "café session" in local supermarket cafés when the colder, darker nights arrive.

AYCC continues to work closely with SCYPAN (Shildon Children and Young People's Action Network) to deliver additional sessions in the Shildon area. During the last year we were also successful in securing funding to enable another full year of the project from two sources: Bishop Auckland and Shildon Area Action Partnership (BASH-AAP) and the Durham Police, Crime and Victims' Commissioner's Crime and Community Safety Fund (via the County Durham Community Foundation).

In conclusion, all of our Delivery Team projects have had major parts to play in providing life-enhancing experiences for children, young people and adults. The learning and development opportunities must be seen and valued as an integral part of what society provides for children, young people and parents across the board. Our aim for the next year is to build on the already considerable strength of AYCC's work to ensure provision for children, young people and families is forward-looking, well-resourced, and supported effectively - and that focuses all its efforts on delivering the best possible outcomes for everyone.

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Business Development
(Information provided John Wiseman, Business Development Manager.)

Overview
Like thousands of similar community and voluntary organisations up and down the country, 2020-21 could have taken AYCC to one of many places. Thankfully, at the end of a year which nobody would want to see repeated, we have survived. Furthermore, we have managed to report a healthy operating profit. This will be re-invested very wisely into the business to help us to take the next step towards longer term sustainability - and help us to keep the doors open for our community without the constant fear of closure.

This, of course, remains our ultimate goal.

In many ways, it feels inappropriate to celebrate our success as many other organisations have really struggled. That said, our positive story must be recognised, with credit and thanks due to many individuals and groups who have pulled together to get us to this point. You will read more about some of those individuals and groups elsewhere in this annual report.

Facts and figures
This year, compared with last, we have seen a substantial 52% rise in our income, to £459,783. Our expenditure increased by 28% to £317,315. The resulting operating profit of £88,468 means that we have seen a second successive profitable year. As mentioned previously, this will be re-invested into the organisation. Finally, we can report another acceptable reserves figure of £21,080. Whilst lower than last year, for known reasons, it remains within our optimal range of 3 to 6 months' running costs. Building on this in the ways described below will help us to maintain our financial stability and also to achieve our ultimate goal of long-term sustainability.

Doing things differently
One of Covid-19's inevitabilities has been the disruption to the way we operate as an organisation, and the way that we have had to adapt quickly. For example, many staff have been furloughed for long periods whilst others have been working largely from home. Just like many other organisations, we have been very innovative in our response to the many challenges presented to us. This includes, firstly, finding new ways of working to minimise the disruption to our offer to the local community and, secondly, responding swiftly to changing needs and demands.

In terms of business development, after a period of re-adjustment, we were able to adopt new systems including: more electronic communication (such as regular team meetings and board meetings by Zoom); the return of our (now online) monthly Finance Monitoring Group; and the establishment of new groups - as and when required - to carry out specific task-and-finish projects e.g. to improve AYCC's finance, IT and data protection systems.

Significant issues raised by these groups are referred to our Board of Trustees (which has continued to meet monthly by Zoom, even during the first lockdown) for further consideration or action, as required.

Finally, in a year of change, the sad news to report is the closure of our Out of Schools Club, after many years of operation, as described elsewhere in the report. We were sorry to see the team leave us and we wish our former colleagues well for the future.

Funding - and other key partners
Whilst we continue to access funding through a diverse range of sources, most income still comes from grants. This, year our total grant income was £380k; considerably higher than a 'typical' year for AYCC. Where we have been able to (given the restrictions), we have used these grants to deliver projects in 2020-21. Even if it was not possible to start the new projects during the year, sufficient planning has been done for project start dates in 2021-22.

We are once again very grateful to all of our funders who have made our work possible this year (and

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next). We are also grateful for the support we receive from our ever growing cohort of strategic and delivery partners. We will only continue to be successful if these partnerships continue to flourish.

Supporting the economy

Whilst serving AYCC well, our business development model never forgets that we are here to serve our local community and, in particular, to promote ways in which we can help to strengthen the local economy - and tackle poverty.

Our popular Job Club and our crisis work with Woodhouse Close Church Community Centre are two very good examples of this. Further, we are proud of our commitment to help local people, where we can, with workplace experience which will give them added confidence to get their next - or possibly their first - job. Two examples of how we support our community through volunteering and internships are given below.

Volunteering

Despite Covid-19, volunteering remains a cornerstone of our engagement with the Woodhouse Close community, and beyond. Whilst numbers have taken a dip this year, we have still been able to support around five or six regular volunteers and we thank them for sticking with us in what have been extraordinary times. Much of the work they have been able to do for us this year has been remote. We have overcome these barriers through technology. This was the right thing to do, as volunteers' help has been really important to us; it also demonstrates to volunteers that organisations like AYCC really value their role in our future development. Throughout 2020-21, volunteers have helped with a range of business development projects such as business planning and income generation - including contributing to AYCC's grant applications.

Internships

Our excellent partnership work with Durham University, just a few miles down the road, has once again delivered successfully this year - albeit remotely. The first lockdown provided us with an opportunity to pursue the idea of an internship, something we had initially considered the previous year. Following further planning and development between both parties, it proved to be worth the wait. Our joint-agency selection panel scrutinised a very high standard of applications. This led to the appointment of a brilliant Marketing Intern who, whilst achieving great success with our pilot project, was able to utilise her experience with AYCC to progress quickly in her chosen career. The internship lasted from August 2020 to March 2021, longer than originally planned. This helped to foster early negotiations with Durham University about possible follow-up internships in spring 2021; these are now taking shape.

The environment

Towards the end of 2020-21 - as the world began, slowly, to re-focus on issues that were concerning it pre-Covid - AYCC joined many other organisations to think seriously once again about the environment. Ever mindful that climate change would not wait for a pandemic to pass, we started to think once again about ways in which we could play our part. For instance, we gave an interview to inform one of the VONNE Climate Action Alliance's research projects in January 2021. VONNE's ongoing work on climate change will help the community and voluntary sector in the North East of England respond collectively to address the climate crisis, hopefully in ways which will better reflect the needs of the sector.

Other consultation and engagement work

In addition to the work with VONNE, we have also been enthusiastic contributors to the research work of many other organisations during 2020-21; these include Community Matters and Club Insure. We have also been active participants in focus groups held by some of our funders to give them some essential feedback on how the projects they fund are progressing. Furthermore our engagement with these focus groups has enabled us to provide funders with essential first-hand evidence of our community's ongoing need for their support, particularly at this time.

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Financial planning

This year, significant progress has been made in our financial planning. One of the very few positives to emerge from the pandemic has been the way in which it has forced us to think of the unthinkable; in the context of this report, how to adapt our strategies to deal with a future financial emergency. As we hope that the worst is behind us, we can reflect on the past 12 months and, looking forward, focus on making our strategies more robust.

For example, our finances are now under closer scrutiny, thanks to the monitoring and task-and-finish groups mentioned above; with overview by the Board of Trustees.

Other specific examples of consolidation and planning for the way forward include:

- An ongoing review of all contracts and costs associated with the running of AYCC.
- Focus on ways to increase unrestricted funding e.g. facility hire as lockdown eases.
- Continued emphasis upon marketing and promotion, also creating more capacity within the organisation to deliver this; for example through the creation of a new Business Development and Marketing Co-ordinator post and more internships and volunteers (also see below).
- Continuing to hone our business development models, working with more partners from the voluntary, statutory and business communities - also supported by the new Business Development and Marketing Co-ordinator.
- Greater emphasis on diversifying income streams (rightly, the focus during the pandemic has been upon securing as much grant income as possible, at considerably lower risk, but we might now be able to look at diversification once again).
- Building volunteer capacity within the organisation to help us to deliver more projects, whilst also supporting more local people through the creation of new volunteering opportunities; for example through the creation of a new Volunteer Co-ordinator post.
- Applying once again to Durham University Business School's MBA Consultancy Pathway scheme, to engage with new teams of international student volunteers to help us with our strategic planning, in different projects over the coming years.
- Further work with local research groups to explore the positive impact of our work upon the Woodhouse Close community and beyond.
- Ongoing review and evaluation of our 2018-21 Business Plan, including technical exercises involving trustees, advisers, staff, volunteers.
- Using this knowledge to inform and support our planning for AYCC's new three-year business plan, for 2021-24.
- Further development of action plans (e.g. finance, income generation, marketing and communications) which will also become part of AYCC's 2021-24 Business Plan.

Financial Review

Reserves Policy

The aim of the Trustees is to retain unrestricted "free" reserves equivalent to between 3 and 6 months' Centre running costs excluding depreciation and exceptional costs. At current activity levels this is equal to between £19,000 and £38,000. Unrestricted "free" reserves at 31st March 2021 were £21,080 which is within this range.

Investment Policy

Monies not required for immediate use are placed in a High Interest Business Account. There are no other investments.

Risk Management

The major risks identified by the trustees have been reviewed and systems established to mitigate those risks.

Plans for Future Periods

Strategic Financial Way Forward

As reported in last year's annual report, the work led by John Kirk (Cranfield Trust) and the project supported by Durham University Business School is complete. This led the Trustees to establish a groups to take forward the recommendations from both pieces of work, as described in Section 3. This work will continue to be ongoing, as and when new actions and/or projects are identified for action, to the benefit of Auckland Youth and Community Centre Ltd. Meanwhile, a number of previously identified actions/projects have already been implemented.

Financial management remains a key objective for the Board of Trustees. The Trustees with invaluable support of its staff are working vigorously to:

- Continue to review all contracts and costs associated with the running of the Centre.

- Increase the levels of unrestricted funding through increased fundraising, for example raffles, bag packing, race nights and family fun events.

- Continue to further develop and refine its financial management and marketing strategies, which in turn will impact on our potential income.

- Partnership working continues to evolve and, in turn, helps to support our plans for income generation. Once again it is particularly pleasing to report the continued growth in the number of partners we are currently working with.

Building Fabric

The building has been maintained over the past 12 months, to ensure that it meets all statutory and health and safety requirements. The building is also cleaned five days every week.

Our long-term goal is still to totally refurbish the whole Centre. However we have continued to identify works to improve the facilities and comply with health and safety requirements. Some of the key features of this work have included a complete kitchen refurbishment, sanding and re-varnishing of the main wooden floors, new flooring in the activities room, additional radiators in the large drop in area and selective replacement of existing fire doors. We will continue to progress the minor works during 2021- 2022.

Plans for Future Periods *(continued)*

Acknowledgements

Over the past 12 months, the Board of Trustees has continued to remain steadfast in understanding its roles and responsibilities including its strategic direction.

The Board of Trustees would like to pay tribute to Martin Walker who retired in September 2020. Martin was a valued member of the Board.

The Board of Trustees also very much appreciates the hard work and dedication shown by all of its paid staff and volunteers in both of our delivery teams. The teams are ably managed by David McCreedy and Pamela Walton. The quality of both services are of a very high standard.

As with our service delivery teams the Board of Trustees very much appreciates the hard work and commitment of our core / support staff, ably managed by John Wiseman.

In September 2020 the Board of Trustees became the employing body for the Gaunless Gateway Big Local Partnership staff. The Board of Trustees would like to acknowledge the hard work and commitment shown by the two members of staff, Barbara Slasor and Susan Graydon.

Although it is always difficult to single out particular funders, the Board of Trustees especially wanted to mention the highly valued support of the National Lottery Community Fund, the Henry Smith Charity, the Bishop Auckland and Shildon Area Action Partnership and the Gaunless Gateway Big Local Partnership.

The Board of Trustees would also like to say a big thank you to all of our other current funders (listed in our financial report) and other organisations who have supported its work over the past 12 months.

The Board of Trustees appreciates the support given to it through other means including the contribution of Simon Healey from Durham Association of Boys and Girls Clubs, Jon Niblo and Gemma Lockyer Turnbull from NE Youth and the team from Durham University (internship programme).

Finally to acknowledge the support given to it by Durham County Council particularly that given by our two local County Councillors, Tanya Tucker and John Lethbridge.

Structure, Governance and Management

Legal Status

Auckland Youth and Community Centre is a charitable company. It was incorporated on 6th April 2006 with company number 5772054. It was registered as a charity on 28th February 2007 with charity number 1118157. It is governed by its memorandum and articles of association dated 6th April 2006 and amended 30th January 2007.

Auckland Youth and Community Centre was originally built in 1963, officially opened on the 14th February 1964, as part of Central Government's development of youth facilities (particularly targeting young men) following the publication of the Lady Albemarle Report. The Centre was one of six "Boys' Clubs" in the North East of England. A sports hall extension was added in 1995, funded by the National Lottery.

Auckland Youth and Community Centre Ltd. is affiliated to the Durham Association of Boys and Girls Clubs, which is affiliated to UK YOUTH and NABGC (The National Association of Boys and Girls Clubs). Auckland Youth and Community Centre Ltd. is also affiliated to NE YOUTH which is affiliated to UK YOUTH.

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Recruitment and Appointment of Trustees
Trustees are made up from residents of the area of benefit known as Woodhouse Close or surrounding area of Bishop Auckland and those with a common interest of the Centre and area.

A trustee is a person proposed by either themselves or another and appointed or elected at an Annual General Meeting, whatever his/her age as long as they are a member of the Centre.

Organisational Structure
The Board of Trustees has overall responsibility for meeting the organisation's legal duties, ensuring that it is properly managed, promoting good practice in all activities and ensuring the quality of all services delivered.

The overall responsibility for the management of the Centre sits with the Board of Trustees. On a day to day basis individual service managers will risk assess and identify any health and safety issues. Any such issues are recorded on a Centre Management Log Form. All forms are processed through the Centre Administrator who will discuss with a nominated member of the Board of Trustees.

The trustees have had regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit throughout the year when deciding on the activities of the charity.

Reference and Administrative Details

Registered charity name	Auckland Youth and Community Centre Limited
Charity registration number	1118157
Company registration number	5772054
Principal office and registered office	Walker Drive Bishop Auckland County Durham DL14 6QL
The Trustees	
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Company Secretary	Ms N Kipling
Independent Examiner	Jane Ascroft FCA MA (Cantab) Enterprise House Harmire Enterprise Park Barnard Castle County Durham DL12 8XT

Small Company Provisions

This report has been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies entitled to the small companies exemption.

The trustees' annual report was approved on ...1.7.2021...and signed on behalf of the board of trustees by:

Nadine Kipling.

Ms N Kipling
Charity Secretary

Auckland Youth and Community Centre Limited

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Auckland Youth and Community Centre Limited

Year Ended 31 March 2021

I report to the trustees on my examination of the financial statements of Auckland Youth and Community Centre Limited ('the charity') for the year ended 31 March 2021.

Responsibilities and Basis of Report

As the trustees of the company (and also its directors for the purposes of company law) you are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements 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 the 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 the charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 your examiner must be a member of a body listed in section 145 of the 2011 Act. I confirm that I am qualified to undertake the examination because I am a member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales (ICAEW), 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 charity as required by section 386 of the 2006 Act; or

2. the financial statements do not accord with those records; or

3. the financial statements 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 financial statements 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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Auckland Youth and Community Centre Limited

Statement of Financial Activities
(including income and expenditure account)

Year Ended 31 March 2021

	Note	2021 Unrestricted funds £	2021 Restricted funds £	2021 Total funds £	2020 Total funds £
Income and endowments					
Donations and legacies	**5**	1,406	379,168	**380,574**	221,475
Charitable activities	**6**	3,696	2,062	**5,758**	77,608
Income from investments	**7**	24	–	**24**	165
Other income	**8**	42,321	31,106	**73,427**	3,000
Total income		47,447	412,336	**459,783**	302,248
Expenditure					
Expenditure on charitable activities	**9,10**	118,054	253,261	**371,315**	290,708
Total expenditure		118,054	253,261	**371,315**	290,708
Net income		(70,607)	159,075	**88,468**	11,540
Transfers between funds		69,226	(69,226)	–	–
Net movement in funds		(1,381)	89,849	**88,468**	11,540
Reconciliation of funds					
Total funds brought forward		86,646	77,459	**164,105**	152,565
Total funds carried forward		85,265	167,308	**252,573**	164,105

The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year.
All income and expenditure derive from continuing activities.

The notes on pages 22 to 38 form part of these financial statements.

Auckland Youth and Community Centre Limited

Statement of Financial Position

31 March 2021

	Note	2021 £	£	2020 £
Fixed Assets				
Tangible fixed assets	16		**43,365**	46,360
Current Assets				
Debtors	17	**4,297**		7,426
Cash at bank and in hand		**215,348**		120,164
		219,645		127,590
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	18	**10,437**		6,511
Net Current Assets			**209,208**	121,079
Total Assets Less Current Liabilities			**252,573**	167,439
Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year	19		**–**	3,334
Net Assets			**252,573**	164,105
Funds of the Charity				
Restricted funds			**167,308**	77,459
Unrestricted funds			**85,265**	86,646
Total charity funds	21		**252,573**	164,105

For the year ending 31 March 2021 the charity was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

Directors' responsibilities:

- The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year in question in accordance with section 476;
- The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and the preparation of financial statements.

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

These financial statements were approved by the board of trustees and authorised for issue on 1.7.2021, and are signed on behalf of the board by:

W. Niblo

Mr W W Niblo (Chair)
Trustee

Auckland Youth and Community Centre Limited

Notes to the Financial Statements

Year Ended 31 March 2021

1. General Information

The charity is a public benefit entity and a private company limited by guarantee, registered in England and Wales and a registered charity in England and Wales. The address of the registered office is Walker Drive, Bishop Auckland, County Durham, DL14 6QL.

2. Statement of Compliance

These financial statements have been prepared in compliance with FRS 102, 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and the Republic of Ireland', the 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) (Charities SORP (FRS 102)) and the Companies Act 2006.

3. Accounting Policies

Basis of Preparation

The financial statements have been prepared on the historical cost basis, as modified by the revaluation of certain financial assets and liabilities and investments measured at fair value through income or expenditure.

The financial statements are prepared in sterling, which is the functional currency of the entity.

The entity is a Public Benefit Entity.

Going Concern

There are no material uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue.

Judgements and Key Sources of Estimation Uncertainty

The preparation of the financial statements requires management to make judgements, estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts reported. These estimates and judgements are continually reviewed and are based on experience and other factors, including expectations of future events that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances. The trustees consider that there are no significant estimates or judgements affecting these financial statements.

Fund Accounting

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of the purposes of the charity.

Designated funds are unrestricted funds earmarked by the trustees for specific purposes.

Restricted funds are subjected to restrictions on their expenditure imposed by the donor.

3. Accounting Policies *(continued)*

Income

All income is included in the statement of financial activities when the charity is entitled to the income, any performance related conditions attached have been met or are fully within the control of the charity, the income is considered probable and the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy. The following specific policies are applied to particular categories of income:

Donations and legacy income is received by way of donations, legacies, grants and gifts and is included in full in the Statement of Financial Activities when receivable. Where legacies have been notified to the charity but the criteria for income recognition have not been met, the legacy is treated as a contingent asset and disclosed if material. Grants, where entitlement is not conditional on the delivery of a specific performance by the charity, are recognised when the charity becomes unconditionally entitled to the grant.

Donated services and facilities are included at the value to the charity, being the amount the charity would have been willing to pay to obtain services or facilities of equivalent economic benefit on the open market.

Investment income is included when receivable.

Income from charitable trading activity is accounted for when earned.

Income from grants, where related to performance and specific deliverables, are accounted for as the charity earns the right to consideration by its performance.

Expenditure

Expenditure is recognised on an accruals basis as a liability is incurred. Expenditure includes any VAT which cannot be fully recovered, and is reported as part of the expenditure to which it relates:

Costs of raising funds comprise the costs associated with attracting donations, grants and legacies and the costs of trading for fundraising purposes.

Charitable expenditure comprises those costs incurred by the charity in the delivery of its activities and services for its beneficiaries. It includes both costs that can be allocated directly to such activities and those costs of an indirect nature necessary to support them.

Other expenditure includes all expenditure that is neither related to raising funds for the charity nor part of its expenditure on charitable activities.

All costs are allocated between the expenditure categories of the SOFA on a basis designed to reflect the use of the resource. Costs relating to a particular activity are allocated directly, others are apportioned on an appropriate basis, as set out in the notes to the accounts.

Tangible Assets

Fixed assets are stated at cost less accumulated depreciation. The costs of minor additions or those costing below £500 are not capitalised.

3. Accounting Policies *(continued)*

Depreciation

Depreciation is calculated so as to write off the cost or valuation of an asset, less its residual value, over the useful economic life of that asset as follows:

Leasehold Property	-	Straight line over the lease term
Equipment	-	15% reducing balance

Impairment of Fixed Assets

A review for indicators of impairment is carried out at each reporting date, with the recoverable amount being estimated where such indicators exist. Where the carrying value exceeds the recoverable amount, the asset is impaired accordingly. Prior impairments are also reviewed for possible reversal at each reporting date.

For the purposes of impairment testing, when it is not possible to estimate the recoverable amount of an individual asset, an estimate is made of the recoverable amount of the cash-generating unit to which the asset belongs. The cash-generating unit is the smallest identifiable group of assets that includes the asset and generates cash inflows that largely independent of the cash inflows from other assets or groups of assets.

For impairment testing of goodwill, the goodwill acquired in a business combination is, from the acquisition date, allocated to each of the cash-generating units that are expected to benefit from the synergies of the combination, irrespective of whether other assets or liabilities of the charity are assigned to those units.

Financial Instruments

The charity only has financial assets and liabilities of a kind that qualify as basic financial instruments. Basic financial instruments are initially recognised at transaction value and subsequently measured at their settlement value.

Defined Contribution Plans

Contributions to defined contribution plans are recognised as an expense in the period in which the related service is provided. Prepaid contributions are recognised as an asset to the extent that the prepayment will lead to a reduction in future payments or a cash refund.

When contributions are not expected to be settled wholly within 12 months of the end of the reporting date in which the employees render the related service, the liability is measured on a discounted present value basis. The unwinding of the discount is recognised as an expense in the period in which it arises.

Debtors

Trade and other debtors are recognised at the settlement amount due after any trade discount offered. Prepayments are valued at the amount prepaid net of any trade discounts due.

Accrued income and tax recoverable is included at the best estimate of the amounts receivable at the balance sheet date.

Cash at Bank and in Hand

Cash at bank and cash in hand includes cash and short term highly liquid investments with a short maturity of three months or less from the date of acquisition or opening of the deposit or similar account.

Creditors

Creditors are recognised where the charity has a present obligation resulting from a past event that will probably result in the transfer of funds to a third party and the amount due to settle the obligation can be measured or estimated reliably. Creditors are normally recognised at their settlement amount after allowing for any trade discounts due.

Taxation

The company is considered to pass the tests set out in Paragraph 1 Schedule 6 of the Finance Act 2010 and therefore it meets the definition of a charitable company for UK corporation tax purposes. Accordingly, the company is potentially exempt from taxation in respect of income or capital gains received within categories covered by Chapter 3 Part 11 of the Corporation Tax Act 2010 or Section 256 of the taxation of Chargeable Gains Act 1992, to the extent that such income or gains are applied exclusively to charitable purposes.

4. Limited by Guarantee

The company is limited by guarantee. At 31st March 2021 there were 6 members each of whom had undertaken to contribute an amount not exceeding £1 in the event of a winding up.

5. Donations and Legacies

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	**Total Funds 2021 £**
Donations			
Donations	311	–	**311**
Fundraising	272	–	**272**

5. Donations and Legacies *(continued)*

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	**Total Funds 2021 £**
Grants			
Bishop Auckland & Shildon Area Action Partnership	–	24,500	**24,500**
Henry Smith Charity	–	80,350	**80,350**
National Lottery Community Fund	–	103,323	**103,323**
Garfield Weston	–	10,000	**10,000**
County Durham Community Foundation	–	18,500	**18,500**
Trusthouse Charitable Foundation	–	12,500	**12,500**
National Lottery Awards For All	–	–	**–**
County Durham Sport	–	11,000	**11,000**
Gaunless Gateway Partnership	–	1,200	**1,200**
Durham County Council	823	11,088	**11,911**
Other grants and donations	–	2,300	**2,300**
The 1989 Willan Charitable Trust through the Community Foundation serving Tyne & Wear and Northumberland	–	–	**–**
South Durham Enterprise Agency (Gaunless Gateway Big Local Partnership)	–	84,407	**84,407**
Virgin Money Foundation	–	10,000	**10,000**
Sir James Knott Foundation	–	10,000	**10,000**
Scotto Trust Fund	–	–	**–**
Streetgames UK Ltd	–	–	**–**
Percy Bilton Charity	–	–	**–**
Shildon Children & Young People's Action Network (SCYPAN)	–	–	**–**
	1,406	379,168	**380,574**

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2020 £
Donations			
Donations	1,344	–	1,344
Fundraising	1,677	–	1,677

5. Donations and Legacies *(continued)*

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2020 £
Grants			
Bishop Auckland & Shildon Area Action Partnership	–	25,239	25,239
Henry Smith Charity	–	22,500	22,500
National Lottery Community Fund	–	110,491	110,491
Garfield Weston	–	–	–
County Durham Community Foundation	–	–	–
Trusthouse Charitable Foundation	–	–	–
National Lottery Awards For All	–	10,000	10,000
County Durham Sport	–	2,850	2,850
Gaunless Gateway Partnership	–	999	999
Durham County Council	–	10,350	10,350
Other grants and donations	1,000	3,725	4,725
The 1989 Willan Charitable Trust through the Community Foundation serving Tyne & Wear and Northumberland	–	9,304	9,304
South Durham Enterprise Agency (Gaunless Gateway Big Local Partnership)	–	–	–
Virgin Money Foundation	–	–	–
Sir James Knott Foundation	–	–	–
Scotto Trust Fund	–	7,500	7,500
Streetgames UK Ltd	–	5,000	5,000
Percy Bilton Charity	–	4,496	4,496
Shildon Children & Young People's Action Network (SCYPAN)	–	5,000	5,000
	4,021	217,454	221,475

6. Charitable Activities

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	**Total Funds 2021 £**
Room hire	2,275	–	**2,275**
Other Centre income	817	–	**817**
After Schools	9	–	**9**
Creche and Out of Schools	595	–	**595**
Playbus	–	–	**–**
Henknowle	–	2,062	**2,062**
	3,696	2,062	**5,758**

6. Charitable Activities *(continued)*

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2020 £
Room hire	14,997	–	14,997
Other Centre income	2,140	10	2,150
After Schools	653	–	653
Creche and Out of Schools	38,394	–	38,394
Playbus	–	16,233	16,233
Henknowle	–	5,181	5,181
	56,184	21,424	77,608

7. Income from Investments

	Unrestricted Funds £	**Total Funds 2021 £**	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2020 £
Bank interest receivable	24	**24**	165	165

8. Other Income

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	**Total Funds 2021 £**
Employment allowance	4,000	–	**4,000**
HMRC Job Retention Scheme	34,836	8,868	**43,704**
DCC Covid Support	–	22,238	**22,238**
Durham University Internship	3,485	–	**3,485**
	42,321	31,106	**73,427**

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2020 £
Employment allowance	3,000	–	3,000
	3,000	–	3,000

9. Expenditure on Charitable Activities by Fund Type

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	**Total Funds 2021 £**
Centre costs	77,395	32,696	**110,091**
Playbus	–	10,897	**10,897**
National Lottery Reaching Communities	–	85,012	**85,012**
Gaunless Gateway Big Local Partnership Agreement	–	39,193	**39,193**
Henry Smith Strengthening Communities/Covid support	–	31,961	**31,961**
After Schools	13,334	1,108	**14,442**
Creche/Out of Schools	25,690	–	**25,690**
Henknowle	–	4,507	**4,507**
AAP Detached/AYCC Youth Work	–	14,692	**14,692**
Other project costs	1,635	33,195	**34,830**
	118,054	253,261	**371,315**

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2020 £
Centre costs	39,556	39,496	79,052
Playbus	–	16,746	16,746
Crime & Community Safety Fund	–	2,139	2,139
National Lottery Reaching Communities	–	90,138	90,138
After Schools	1,691	13,354	15,045
Creche/Out of Schools	49,229	–	49,229
Henknowle	–	5,181	5,181
AAP Detached/AYCC Youth Work	–	14,141	14,141
Other project costs	1,202	17,835	19,037
	91,678	199,030	290,708

10. Expenditure on Charitable Activities by Activity Type

	Activities undertaken directly £	**Total funds 2021 £**	Total fund 2020 £
Centre costs	110,091	**110,091**	79,052
Playbus	10,897	**10,897**	16,746
Crime & Community Safety Fund	–	**–**	2,139
National Lottery Reaching Communities	85,012	**85,012**	90,138
Gaunless Gateway Big Local Partnership Agreement	39,193	**39,193**	–
Henry Smith Strengthening Communities/Covid support	31,961	**31,961**	–

After Schools	14,442	**14,442**	15,045
Creche/Out of Schools	25,690	**25,690**	49,229
Henknowle	4,507	**4,507**	5,181
AAP Detached/AYCC Youth Work	14,692	**14,692**	14,141
Other project costs	34,830	**34,830**	19,037
	371,315	**371,315**	290,708

11. Net Income

Net income is stated after charging/(crediting):

	2021	2020
	£	£
Depreciation of tangible fixed assets	**4,594**	4,577

12. Independent Examination Fees

	2021	2020
	£	£
Fees payable to the independent examiner for:		
Independent examination of the financial statements	**720**	680

13. Staff Costs and Emoluments

The total staff costs and employee benefits for the reporting period are analysed as follows:

	2021	2020
	£	£
Wages and salaries	**234,950**	188,528
Social security costs	**14,383**	10,514
Employer contributions to pension plans	**4,541**	3,542
Redundancy costs	**9,041**	–
	262,915	202,584

The average head count of employees during the year was 23 (2020: 20). The average number of full-time equivalent employees during the year is analysed as follows:

	2021	2020
	No.	No.
Number of management staff	**3**	2
Number of Centre staff	**2**	2
Number of Creche/Out of School staff	**2**	2
Number of project staff	**4**	3
	11	9

No employee received employee benefits of more than £60,000 during the year (2020: Nil).

Key Management Personnel

Key management personnel include all persons that have authority and responsibility for planning, directing and controlling the activities of the charity. The total compensation paid to key management personnel for services provided to the charity was £82,627 (2020:£63,932).

14. Trustee Remuneration and Expenses

No trustees received remuneration during the year (2020 - Nil).

During the year 2 trustees were reimbursed expenses totalling £475 (2020 - £1,125).

15. Transfers Between Funds

During the year £69,226 was transferred from restricted to unrestricted funds. This comprised:

	2021 £
Centre cost contributions from projects	**65,529**
Contributions to other projects	**2,047**
Room hire paid by projects	**1,650**
	69,226

16. Tangible Fixed Assets

	Long leasehold property £	Equipment £	Total £
Cost			
At 1 April 2020	77,165	86,984	**164,149**
Additions	–	1,599	**1,599**
At 31 March 2021	77,165	88,583	**165,748**
Depreciation			
At 1 April 2020	39,250	78,539	**117,789**
Charge for the year	3,087	1,507	**4,594**
At 31 March 2021	42,337	80,046	**122,383**
Carrying amount			
At 31 March 2021	34,828	8,537	**43,365**
At 31 March 2020	37,915	8,445	46,360

17. Debtors

	2021 £	2020 £
Trade debtors	–	2,668
Prepayments and accrued income	**4,297**	4,758
	4,297	7,426

18. Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2021	2020
	£	£
Creditors and accruals	**7,103**	1,511
Other creditors	**3,334**	5,000
	10,437	6,511

19. Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year

	2021	2020
	£	£
Other creditors	–	3,334

20. Pensions and Other Post Retirement Benefits

Defined contribution plans

The amount recognised in income or expenditure as an expense in relation to defined contribution plans was £4,541 (2020: £3,542).

21. Analysis of Charitable Funds

Unrestricted funds

	At 1 April 2020	Income	Expenditure	Transfers	**At 31 March 2021**
	£	£	£	£	**£**
General Fund	29,064	19,547	(64,259)	36,728	**21,080**
Capital Fund	46,360	–	(4,594)	1,599	**43,365**
Redundancy Fund	9,728	–	(9,041)	9,041	**9,728**
Disability Group	1,556	316	(394)	–	**1,478**
After Schools	5,643	7,931	(13,334)	3,567	**3,807**
Out of Schools & Creche	(6,700)	18,914	(25,690)	13,476	**–**
Challenge & Support Group	3,242	739	(622)	1,481	**4,840**
Girls' Friendly Society	185	–	(120)	–	**65**
Stay 'n' Play	902	–	–	–	**902**
Long term liabilities	(3,334)	–	–	3,334	**–**
	86,646	47,447	(118,054)	69,226	**85,265**

	At 1 April 2019	Income	Expenditure	Transfers	At 31 March 2020
	£	£	£	£	£
General Fund	18,894	21,980	(34,981)	23,171	29,064
Capital Fund	50,937	–	(4,577)	–	46,360
Redundancy Fund	9,728	–	–	–	9,728
Disability Group	496	645	(256)	671	1,556
After Schools	182	653	(1,691)	6,499	5,643
Out of Schools & Creche	(2,994)	38,394	(49,229)	7,129	(6,700)
Challenge & Support Group	1,779	1,193	(401)	671	3,242
Girls' Friendly Society	76	369	(260)	–	185
Stay 'n' Play	378	136	(283)	671	902
Long term liabilities	(8,334)	–	–	5,000	(3,334)
	71,142	63,370	(91,678)	43,812	86,646

21. Analysis of Charitable Funds *(continued)*

Restricted funds

	At 1 April 2020 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfers £	**At 31 March 2021 £**
National Lottery Community Fund	19,615	103,323	(85,012)	(8,993)	**28,933**
Bishop Auckland & Shildon AAP Detached Youth Work	10,640	28,263	(14,691)	3,000	**27,212**
CDCF After Schools grant	–	3,500	(1,108)	(1,000)	**1,392**
CDCF Covid 19 Sustainability grant	–	5,000	(1,325)	(2,325)	**1,350**
Gaunless Gateway/Dales Area EIC Youth Forum	1,631	–	(150)	(1,481)	**–**
AAP AYCC Disability Project	2,605	–	(1,185)	–	**1,420**
Trusthouse Charitable Foundation	–	12,500	(12,500)	–	**–**
AAP AYCC Widening Horizons Project	9,320	–	(9,320)	–	**–**
Henknowle	–	4,507	(4,507)	–	**–**
Playbus	8,045	5,524	(10,898)	–	**2,671**
Pick 'n' Mix Group	313	–	–	–	**313**
AAP Getting Creative	–	2,500	(2,500)	–	**–**
AYCC Covid 19 Response Sessions	–	5,000	(582)	(900)	**3,518**
DCC Neighbourhood Budget	–	4,020	(2,961)	–	**1,059**
Gaunless Gateway Intergenerational Project	579	–	–	–	**579**

21. Analysis of Charitable Funds *(continued)*

Henry Smith Charity - Covid 19	–	34,100	(9,782)	(3,099)	**21,219**
Henry Smith Charity - Strengthening Communities	–	46,250	(22,179)	(7,821)	**16,250**
National Lottery Awards For All	10,000	–	(10,000)	–	–
Holiday Activities Fund	–	2,968	(2,602)	–	**366**
Scotto Trust	7,500	–	(7,500)	–	–
SCYPAN Detached Youth Work	3,455	–	(2,816)	–	**639**
Streetgames Project No. 1	1,865	–	–	–	**1,865**
Streetgames Project No. 2	1,116	900	(1,593)	–	**423**
Sport England fund	–	5,000	(1,112)	(1,600)	**2,288**
Weardale Area Action Partnership Playbus	950	–	(950)	–	–
West Auckland Youth Initiative	(175)	6,500	(370)	(1,690)	**4,265**
Virgin Money Foundation	–	10,000	–	(10,000)	–
Sir James Knott Foundation	–	10,000	(4,228)	–	**5,772**
NE Youth	–	400	–	–	**400**
Scholefield Trust	–	1,000	–	–	**1,000**
Garfield Weston	–	10,000	(2,696)	–	**7,304**
Gaunless Gateway Big Local Partnership Agreement	–	71,643	(39,193)	(10,329)	**22,121**
Gaunless Gateway Caring & Sharing for Christmas	–	1,200	(1,200)	–	–
AYCC Satellite Project No. 3	–	3,000	(301)	(750)	**1,949**
AYCC Shildon Satellite Project	–	3,000	–	–	**3,000**
PCVC's Community Safety Fund	–	10,000	–	–	**10,000**
DCC Covid 19 Business grant	–	22,238	–	(22,238)	–
	77,459	412,336	(253,261)	(69,226)	**167,308**

Bishop Auckland and Shildon Area Action Partnership - BASH AAP (Detached Youth Work Project) - This grant was towards a detached youth work project across the area covered by Bishop Auckland and Shildon Area, specifically targeting young people who are not currently engaging in services and/or causing anti-social behaviour.

21. Analysis of Charitable Funds *(continued)*

Area Committee Grant (Detached Youth Work Project) - This grant is towards a detached youth work project across the area covered by Bishop Auckland and Shildon Area Action Partnership, specifically targeting young people who are not currently engaging in services and/or causing anti-social behaviour.

BASH AAP (AYCC Disability Project) - This grant is towards the staffing costs to allow us to deliver a disability project session.

BASH AAP (AYCC Getting Creative At Home Project) - This grant was to support the creation of activity packs for children and young people during the current pandemic.

BASH AAP (AYCC Widening Horizons' Project) - This grant is for specifically contributions towards the salaries of the Business Development Manager at the Centre.

County Durham Sport (AYCC Satellite Project No 3) - This grant is to support children and young people who are classed as inactive with sport/fitness sessions and to try and reengage.

County Durham Sport (AYCC Shildon Satellite Project) - This grant is to support children and young people who are classed as inactive with sport/fitness sessions and to try and reengage specifically targeting those who live in Shildon, County Durham.

County Durham Community Foundation (After Schools) - This grant is towards staffing costs, activities costs and snacks for our After Schools Project.

County Durham Community Foundation (Covid-19 Sustainability Grant) - This grant is towards the purchasing of PPE for the Centre. Also support costs towards hiring of additional tutors, volunteer expenses and centre running costs.

County Durham Community Foundation (Police, Crime & Victims' Commissioner (PCVC) Community Safety Fund) - This grant is towards a detached youth work project across Woodhouse Close estate, specifically targeting young people who are not currently engaging in services.

Durham County Council Neighbourhood Budget (AYCC Covid-19 Response Sessions) - This grant is towards additional support sessions for children 4-10-year-olds and additional sessions of our Craft and Support Project. This is due to limited numbers in original sessions due to restrictions.

Durham County Council Neighbourhood Budget (AYCC Refurbishment Project) - This grant was towards new flooring in the Activity Room used for After Schools Project and by other room hirers.

Durham County Council Neighbourhood Budget (Improving Facilities At AYCC) - This grant is towards installing two new radiators in the large drop in area and to purchase a fridge, microwave and kitchen utensils.

Durham County Council (Sustainability Grant) - This grant was towards the operational costs of the Out of Schools Childcare based at the Centre.

Garfield Weston Foundation - This grant is towards core running costs for the organisation.

Gaunless Gateway (Big Local Partnership Agreement) - This grant is to allow AYCC to employ two workers from the Gaunless Gateway Big Local Partnership for a period of 2 years.

21. Analysis of Charitable Funds *(continued)*

Gaunless Gateway (Caring & Sharing For Christmas Grant) - This grant allowed our workers to create special "thinking of you" boxes to hand out to local care home residents as Christmas surprises for those who would be alone.

Gaunless Gateway & Area Committee Grants - These two grants will allow us to deliver a youth forum project across the area to enhance the participation in decision making for children and young people.

Gaunless Gateway Intergenerational Project - This grant is towards the delivery of an intergenerational project.

Henry Smith Charity (Covid-19 Grant - AYCC Better Connections Project) - This grant was for a digital inclusion project, which will provide a range of online support services and weekly in person IT training sessions for disadvantaged individuals impacted by COVID-19.

Henry Smith Charity (Strengthening Communities Grant) - This grant is for Centre core running costs, specifically contributions towards the salaries of the Administration Worker and Cleaner.

Holiday Activities Fund - This fund is for various grants received to support children and their families across the area to food and activity packs during school the Easter holidays.

National Lottery (Awards For All) - This grant was for ongoing capital works to upgrade the community centre which includes the kitchen.

National Lottery Community Fund (Widening Horizons Project) - This grant is to deliver the Widening Horizons Project over a three-year period (2019-22), to support people living on the Woodhouse Close Estate and the surrounding area with projects and activities based around four key outcomes.

NE Youth Limited (Healthy & Happy Project) - This grant is to allow young people to create scrapbooks of their experiences during the COVID 19 pandemic.

Scholefield Trust - This grant is for activities for children and young people.

Scotto Trust - This grant is for ongoing capital works to upgrade the community centre which includes the kitchen.

Shildon Children and Young People's Action Network (SCYPAN)- This grant is towards a detached youth work project across Shildon, specifically targeting young people who are not currently engaging in services.

Sir James Knott - This grant is for specifically contributions towards the salaries of the Community Development Worker at the Centre.

Sport England's Tackling Inequalities - This grant is towards the purchasing of PPE for the Centre. Also support costs towards hiring of additional tutors, volunteer expenses and centre running costs. This grant also allowed for us to have reduced rates for returning groups who wish to hire our Centre.

Street Games (Project No 1) - This grant is for the Street Games project which meets once a week on Woodhouse Close Estate to combat anti-social behaviour in the community during the summer months.

Street Games (Project No 2) - This grant is for the Street Games project which meets once a week on Woodhouse Close Estate to combat anti-social behaviour in the community during the winter months.

21. Analysis of Charitable Funds *(continued)*

Trusthouse Charitable Foundation - This grant is for Centre running costs, specifically contributions towards the salaries of the Administration Worker and Cleaner.

Virgin Money Foundation - This grant was towards subsidising lost income into AYCC during the early months of the COVID 19 pandemic which included loss of income through room hire.

Weardale Area Action Partnership (Playbus) - This grant was towards holiday provision for Playbus activities in the Weardale Area Action Partnership area.

West Auckland Youth Initiative Project - This grant is towards a youth work project across West Auckland, specifically targeting young people who are not currently engaging in services.

Henknowle - This fund is for the caretaker's salary at Henknowle Community Centre.

Playbus - This grant allows us to deliver this project which is a fully fitted mobile soft play area that can be used for children's activities, community events, and private parties and also be used as a tool for engagement.

22. Analysis of Net Assets Between Funds

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	**Total Funds 2021 £**
Tangible fixed assets	43,365	–	**43,365**
Current Assets	52,337	167,308	**219,645**
Creditors less than 1 year	(10,437)	–	**(10,437)**
Creditors greater than 1 year	–	–	**–**
Net assets	85,265	167,308	**252,573**

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2020 £
Tangible fixed assets	46,360	–	46,360
Current Assets	50,131	77,459	127,590
Creditors less than 1 year	(6,511)	–	(6,511)
Creditors greater than 1 year	(3,334)	–	(3,334)
Net assets	86,646	77,459	164,105

23. Operating Lease Commitments

The total future minimum lease payments under non-cancellable operating leases are as follows:

	2021 £	2020 £
Not later than 1 year	**4,458**	4,081
Later than 1 year and not later than 5 years	**10,141**	12,014
	14,599	16,095

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Management Information

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Detailed Statement of Financial Activities

Year Ended 31 March 2021

	2021 £	2020 £
Income and endowments		
Donations and legacies		
Donations	**311**	1,344
Fundraising	**272**	1,677
Bishop Auckland & Shildon Area Action Partnership	**24,500**	25,239
Henry Smith Charity	**80,350**	22,500
National Lottery Community Fund	**103,323**	110,491
Garfield Weston	**10,000**	–
County Durham Community Foundation	**18,500**	–
Trusthouse Charitable Foundation	**12,500**	–
National Lottery Awards For All	**–**	10,000
County Durham Sport	**11,000**	2,850
Gaunless Gateway Partnership	**1,200**	999
Durham County Council	**11,911**	10,350
Other grants and donations	**2,300**	4,725
The 1989 Willan Charitable Trust through the Community Foundation serving Tyne & Wear and Northumberland	**–**	9,304
South Durham Enterprise Agency (Gaunless Gateway Big Local Partnership)	**84,407**	–
Virgin Money Foundation	**10,000**	–
Sir James Knott Foundation	**10,000**	–
Scotto Trust Fund	**–**	7,500
Streetgames UK Ltd	**–**	5,000
Percy Bilton Charity	**–**	4,496
Shildon Children & Young Peoples Action Network (SCYPAN)	**–**	5,000
	380,574	221,475
Charitable activities		
Room hire	**2,275**	14,997
Other Centre income	**817**	2,150
After Schools	**9**	653
Creche and Out of Schools	**595**	38,394
Playbus	**–**	16,233
Henknowle	**2,062**	5,181
	5,758	77,608
Income from investments		
Bank interest receivable	**24**	165
Other income		
Employment allowance	**4,000**	3,000
HMRC Job Retention Scheme	**43,704**	–
DCC Covid Support	**22,238**	–
Durham University Internship	**3,485**	–
	73,427	3,000
Total income	**459,783**	302,248

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Detailed Statement of Financial Activities *(continued)*

Year Ended 31 March 2021

	2021 £	2020 £
Expenditure		
Wages and salaries	**234,950**	188,528
Employer's NIC	**14,383**	10,514
Pension costs	**4,541**	3,542
Redundancy costs	**9,041**	–
Rent	**14,440**	19,857
Rates and water	**27,475**	–
Other office costs	**7,695**	7,277
Depreciation	**4,594**	4,577
Project costs	**50,197**	50,718
Accountancy and Independent Examination	**720**	680
Professional fees and consultancy	**3,279**	5,015
Total expenditure	**371,315**	290,708
Net income	**88,468**	11,540