

**REGISTERED COMPANY NUMBER: 06283685 (England and Wales)**

**REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER: 1122220**

**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AND UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023**

**FOR**

**YORK HOUSE CENTRE (STONY STRATFORD)**

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**YORK HOUSE CENTRE (STONY STRATFORD)**

**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES**

**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023**

The Trustees who are also Directors of the charity for the purpose of the Companies Act 2006, present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2023. The Memorandum and Articles of Association, and Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2015).

**REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS**

**Registered Company Number**  
06283685 (England and Wales)

**Registered Charity Number**  
1122220

**Registered office**  
London Road  
Stony Stratford  
Milton Keynes  
Buckinghamshire  
MK11 1JQ

**Trustees**  
Ms A Box  
Mr K C Daniels  
Mr S Ratcliffe  
Mr D Tucker  
Mr K Hall  
Ms J Taylor  
Mr D Gibbons  
Mr A Hulme  
Ms K Bull  
Mr M W Batten

**Company Secretary**  
Ms H O'Neill

**Independent examiner**  
Essendon Accounts and Tax Limited  
3 Warren Yard, Stratford Road  
Wolverton Mill  
Milton Keynes  
MK12 5NW

**COMMENCEMENT OF ACTIVITIES**

The Charitable Company was incorporated on 18<sup>th</sup> June 2007 and commenced its activities on 1<sup>st</sup> April 2008.

**STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT**

**GOVERNING DOCUMENT**

The Charitable Company is controlled by its governing document, Memorandum and Articles of Association.

The Charitable Company was established under a Memorandum of Association which established the objects and powers of the Charitable Company and is governed under its Articles of Association. In the event of the Charitable Company being wound up members are required to contribute an amount not exceeding £10.

**Recruitment and appointment of new Trustees**

New Trustees are appointed by existing Trustees as and when required. The Charity aims to recruit new Trustees from as diverse background as possible but ensures during the recruitment process that they are eligible to act as Trustees.

## **YORK HOUSE CENTRE (STONY STRATFORD)**

### **REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES**

#### **FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023**

## **STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT**

### **Induction and training of new Trustees**

The chair of the Trustees is responsible for the induction of any new Trustee, which involves awareness of a Trustee's responsibilities, the Memorandum and Articles of Association, administrative procedures, the history and philosophical approach of the Charitable Company. A new Trustee would receive copies of the previous year's annual report and financial statements and a copy of the Charity Commission leaflet 'The Essential Trustee: What you need to know.' New Trustees would also be encouraged to review other leaflets and publications issued by the Charity Commission.

### **Organisational structure**

At the end of this financial year there were eight Trustees. The Trustees are responsible for ensuring that the centre meets its charitable aims and objectives as set out in the Memorandum and Articles of Association. The Centre, including the building and associated land, is wholly owned by the members and membership is open to any organisation or individual over the age of 18 who is on the electoral register for Stony Stratford or who has significant association with the area. Membership is free. Organisational memberships are held by Milton Keynes Council, Stony Stratford Town Council, Stony Stratford Business Association and Wolverton & District Archaeological & Historical Society.

The Centre employs four part-time staff who run the centre with the Trustees on a day to day basis. The office is staffed 9am – 2pm every weekday. The Board meets monthly and delegates portfolios to individual Trustees.

The Centre is also a member of Stony Stratford Futures Group, the Stony Stratford Business Association, Milton Keynes Play Association, Milton Keynes Council of Voluntary Organisations and Milton Keynes Arts Gateway, Action for Youth and Community Impact Bucks.

### **Risk Management**

The Trustees have a duty to identify and review the risks to which the charity is exposed and to ensure appropriate controls are in place to provide reasonable assurance against fraud and error.

## **OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES**

### **Objectives and aims**

The objects and aims of the charity are as follows:

1. To provide facilities in the interests of social welfare for recreation and leisure-time occupation with the object of improving the conditions of life of the inhabitants of Stony Stratford and its environs (the area of benefit).
2. To advance the educations of young people in the area of benefit through their leisure times activities so as to develop their physical, mental and spiritual capacities that they grow to full maturity as individuals and members of society and that their conditions of life may be improved.
3. To advance education, particularly in the arts, for those living in the area of benefit.

### **Significant Activities**

York House Centre is the Youth, Community & Arts Centre for Stony Stratford and the surrounding area. The centre is a busy hub for community activities, and we estimate that our current annual footfall is about 50,000 people. We have over 40 regular User Groups including our two Youth Clubs, our affordable drama groups for young people (Act Out & Act Up), toddler groups, health and wellbeing groups, special needs/self-help groups, senior citizens, local musicians and artists plus a wide variety of clubs, classes and meetings. The building and grounds are available to hire for ad hoc parties and events and we offer reduced hire rates for young people. We run large scale community arts events/projects such as the Stony Stratford Lantern Project and York House Arts for All (we seek external funding to allow these events to be free or a minimal charge) and we also have a successful Community Gardens Project in our rear grounds.

## YORK HOUSE CENTRE (STONY STRATFORD)

### REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES

#### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

##### **Chair's Report for period 1 April 2022 to 31 March 2023**

Happily, it has been a year of continuing steady recovery from the lockdown periods. Many groups and users have returned, and we have gained some new clients and supporters. The financial position is still bordering precarious, but we have been fortunate not to have had to dip into our reserves.

Once again, credit has to go to our dedicated staff. Centre Manager, Hannah O'Neill has thrown herself into the task of not only managing the day-to-day running of York House but reviewing and developing new systems and procedures to streamline our services and to take York House strongly into the future. Our Bookings and Business Support Manager, Tina Batten, has coped well, juggling working at home and in the office to provide a service to the community. Our long-serving – almost twenty years – caretaker, Malcolm, has done a fine job in keeping our old building in good shape and providing a friendly and efficient let-I and let-out service. Three drawbacks during the year have been the struggle to find a handyman to take care of the minor everyday maintenance and repair jobs (a situation now resolved) and a grounds maintenance person to tackle our demanding acreage. Great work by Hannah and the Stony in Bloom team have helped keep the grounds in reasonable trim.

The third problem has been the deterioration in the old rear extension to York House which formerly provided accommodation for the Stony Radio studio and, in the top floor, much-needed storage space for users' equipment. That part of the centre has had to be taken out of use, causing us some difficulties accommodating existing and potential users. Investigations into the cause of the deterioration are continuing and we live in hope that our insurance covers us.

Our dedicated team of volunteer trustees has brought a positive attitude to the recovery period. I would like to mention particularly Katherine Bull who has taken on the role of researching and applying for much-needed grants. Kevin and Jill, working with Hannah, have proved to be a strong marketing team and a number of ideas and projects are being put in place to help secure York House for future use. Thanks, also, to Andrew Hulme who has taken on the unenviable role of treasurer. Martin Batten, with help from Derek Gibbons and Tina, did a magnificent job of re-appointing (actually transforming) our rather tired office space – now a bright and welcoming room with pleasant working conditions.

Thanks again to Essendon Accounts & Tax for efficient work on auditing our accounts and helping keep us in line with the Charities Commission and Companies House.

As always, we are grateful for the support of the many volunteers who have given their time for such things as bar and café work and stewarding.

I'd like to make special mention of The Stony Stratford in Bloom team and all the helpers who kept the grounds in good order, against the odds. The SSiB team worked hard to cultivate the community gardens and, as a result, were able to make abundant donations of fresh vegetables and fruit to the local food bank.

I will mention a few specific activities:

Stony Radio continues to operate from York House, offering a wide variety of music and arts, many types of information and talk shows, community programmes, as an independent locally-oriented community on-line station. Stony Radio has been a great supporter of York House and promotes the centre well in its various shows. For more information and their schedule, visit [www.stonyradio.com](http://www.stonyradio.com). Thanks for to James Tully and Doug Belam for the fine work on creating the new studio space upstairs, and to Pete Cripps for his excellent work on the décor.

The Stony Stratford Christmas Lantern workshops and parade were, as always, a great success, and we are grateful to Fiona and Matt Trinder and their team for engineering one of the highlights of the Stony calendar. The "Monster Christmas" was exactly that.

The regular outdoor food and drink event, EatstreetMK, continues to be a massive success, serving delicious international streetfood to hundreds of hungry visitors every first Friday from March to November.

We have regular music and arts events which are not only popular but also generate income for York House. The twice-a-month Song Loft <https://thesongloft.com/> has been with us for over six years, and has boomed in popularity thanks to the dedication of Andrew and Julia Metcalfe and their team. York House's own music events have been running since 2012, bring a rich variety of musical style once or twice a month. The Bardic Trials to elect a Bard of Stony Stratford, along with spoken word, comedy and drama events, add richness to the programme.

Act-Out/Act-Up, run by Terrie Howey, continued to provide drama lessons and activities for young people. Terrie's report can be found at Appendix 1

The Youth Clubs, run by Youth Network MK, have revived, and their report is at Appendix 2.

Phoenix Rising continues to do a magnificent job looking after young adults with additional needs, running lively sessions and supporting York House with decorations and events.

Sam Burke has regularly brought her "Made in Stony" to York House, offering a huge variety of locally made arts and crafts and other products (including chocolate!).

As mentioned above, many previous groups have returned and we are fortunate to have new users in the building – our

thanks go to the people of Stony Stratford, Galley Hill and Fullers Slade for their support. Many of the regular groups and events are on the website at <http://www.york-house.org.uk>, and Hannah and Tina will be happy to point you towards other self-help, social, health and well-being, and arts groups.

We are still in a period of recuperation and rebuilding, but are very optimistic about the future of Stony Stratford's only publicly-owned community centre.

This year, I am introducing a new aspect to my report: "The Future", a summary of some of the ideas and plans we have for the coming year and beyond. You can find this at Appendix 3.

Keep visiting the York House website at <http://www.york-house.org.uk> for news what we do.

There are always opportunities for volunteering at York House so if you have a few hours to spare or your company runs a "Community Day" scheme or similar, please bear us in mind, and you may want to consider becoming a Trustee of York House. Get in touch with us.

ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES:

Ken Daniels  
Chair of Trustees - York House Centre (Stony Stratford)  
19 November 2023



#### Appendix 1: Act-Out & Act-Up by Terrie Howey

Since April 2022 ACT OUT & ACT UP have produced two Summer Gala performances (July 2022 and July 2023) both of these performances were created, directed and produced by the youth participants so that they learn skill in creative writing, leadership, collaborations and resourcefulness.

From September - December 22 the groups worked on the Wizard of Oz pantomime, learning how to remember lines and follow instructions in the script, developing characters, and building confidence in presenting in public.

In June 2023 ACT UP took part in their first StonyLive! "Day of Dance" street theatre performance which raised the profile of the group and was received incredibly well by the audience, made up of family and passers-by.

One of our major focuses this year has been supporting the wellbeing of students many of whom are suffering long term mental health effects of the lock-downs, and supporting participants who are now at GCSE level. This is being done by creating a person centred approach to the curriculum and supporting students in building confidence, developing their communication and cooperation skills, and supporting the development of course work.

2024 is a big year for ACT OUT as it turns 10 years old, and so we plan to celebrating this achievement in 2024 through topics and events.

#### Appendix 2: Youth Clubs by Debra Simpkins, Youth Worker

Youth Network has provided local youth open access provisions to young people from 7 to 15 years of age. Our session entry is £1 and offers a range of activities to meet the interests of the young people with sports, arts and crafts, and healthy eating.

What has happened this year Since the pandemic numbers at the club have been low until this year when, with Hannah and Lynne's support, we made the decision to move the club from Monday to Wednesday. From April to December 2022 we were running the project on Monday evenings. Despite regular conversations with parents, numerous emails and telephone calls to those who had attended previously, as well as active recruitment by the parents who were keen to continue on Mondays, we were unable to significantly build up regular numbers each week. We discussed this with the parents of those who were attending and were met with resistance to the idea of changing the day due to their other commitments. Not wanting to lose those children who we felt needed the club most, it was therefore decided in December that in the Spring Term we would continue the club on Mondays but also introduce the Wednesday session to see if we could entice all to attend this session. We also held assemblies in the local schools and carried out marketing on social media and emails to those who had previously attended, only promoting the Wednesday evenings. This was so successful that those attending on Monday began to also attend on Wednesday. With a livelier feel due to more young people being in attendance, by the end of Spring Term 2023, nearly all children were regularly attending on Wednesdays. And, after further conversations with the remaining 'Monday only' parents, we were thrilled that they all agreed to change existing priorities so that their children were able to attend on Wednesday.

By the end of the financial year we were able to report to Hannah that the experiment had worked and we now had a more positive attendance on Wednesday evenings and were able to drop the Monday session. Activities Throughout the year and even in the early part of the year when the numbers were low, we continued to offer a wide range of activities including outside play when weather permitted, this included Giant Jenga, Hula Hoops, Dodge ball, skipping ropes, swing ball, basketball, football and baseball. Inside we always offer a range of arts and crafts resources, often linked to topics such as healthy eating and internet safety, wordsearch games and on special celebrations and parties, the disco ball. Games are

always on hand including indoor football table, connect 4, giant snakes and ladders, twister and dominoes. Towards the end of each session we provide a snack based on the young people's preferences. This year it has included cheese and ham toasties, sausage/vegan rolls, pasta with sauce, fruit kebabs, hot dogs with onions, pancakes, toast with spreads or marmite, chocolate pastries, fruit and yoghurts. Fruit juice and water are always available and on colder evenings, hot chocolate. By offering hot food and opportunities for young people to get involved with preparation, it enables them to sit and eat together, to talk about their week and share experiences. All young people are getting on well and have good relationships with the staff and volunteers. At the end of the session we have a group game in the hall, favorites include 'Across the Golden River', Human Chess, blink murder and 'Would you Rather'.

On seasonal holidays the youth club has a small party and quiz/bingo, dressing up and arts and crafts based on the theme such as halloween or Christmas decorations at Christmas time. All young people really enjoy this. Projects Each term has a theme with projects created around it. This can range from bullying, internet safety to healthy eating. We do this to help young people become selfaware and understand their own feelings on the subject matter. Young people also help out with preparing the food and clearing up, this is a great way for them to explore soft social skills. During the year we were joined by a Duke of Edinburgh award student who volunteered for many months. We are also lucky to have a permanent volunteer who has also been teaching some cookery skills. Our staff team are committed to the children and the club and bring a wealth of exciting and stimulating activities. Positive outcome The club promotes positive behaviour towards each other and staff, whilst young people, as well as their parents and carers have the opportunity to speak to staff about any issues and concerns. This open communication enables us to help individual young people when life is tough such as loss of a grandparent or a split in the family. We come across a lot of young people with food issues. Working alongside the parent/guardian we are able to slowly introduce new foods to try and involve them in food preparation.

Parents recognise and are grateful for this support. Combating food issues can also lead to greater confidence in the young person. With thanks! The team at Youth Network would like to take this opportunity to say a massive thank you for enabling us to run a youth club at the wonderful York House Centre!

### Appendix 3: The future

I have to start on a negative note but then it all gets better and ends, hopefully, happily.

One priority for the next year will be the restoration of the currently condemned rear extension to bring back much-needed accommodation for events and activities, especially on the ground floor, and for storage on the upper floor.

In addition, we have seen a deterioration in a number of aspects of the building, such as the windows and doors in the main hall and we will need to address this in the near future. Much of our furniture is looking damaged and "tired" and will need repair or replacement.

Many of the rooms, particularly the main hall, are badly in need of redecoration.

It is probably superfluous to mention that all the above will cost money, and LOTS of it.

#### Turning to brighter things:

The Marketing Team of Kevin, Jill and Hannah, are continuing to reshape the image of York House to continue to appeal across the whole community and generations. We are moving forward with a regular and consistent communication policy presenting a much greater emphasis on Social Media, which will follow on from the recent introduction of our brighter, sharper, interactive Members Newsletter. The website is being redesigned and will continue to adapt to a fast-changing environment. For the future we intend to strengthen connections with local businesses and enhance our presence in the town, promoting our events in various central locations. Additionally, you will shortly see York House branded merchandise appear. There are also, in addition to the marketing team, two York House Ambassadors promoting your Community Centre. Katherine's work on identifying and applying for grants is in full swing to provide funding for our substantial projects, which include the possible provision of a lift to the upper floors. We are in discussions with David Lock Associates who have offered us free advice and assistance for investigation of this.

We are also looking at considerable development of the rear and front grounds, to improve both appearance and accessibility. We would like to see the grounds used for more community and arts events.

One of our recent successes has been the Community Larder and Drop-in Café, held every Tuesday morning. The larder scheme (NOT a food bank) provides access, for a small fee, to fresh and packaged food which would otherwise go to waste, and the café is a pleasant social hub for tea/coffee and cake. Both are run by volunteers. We are looking at other community-minded schemes to bring to York House.

We have been joined by the Crafting for Change group, a gathering of (mostly) ladies with various crafting talents. We also have regular meetings of the Stony Stratford Arts Society. We would like to encourage more arts and crafts at York House.

The music and spoken word events have been a great success since 2012, and will continue to offer a rich variety of musical styles, comedy and spoken word, as well as raising money for York House. The Song Loft, run by Andrew Metcalf, has risen to new heights and will continue to bring live folk and roots music, with some big names on the circuit, to Stony.

After the success some years ago of several "Cock & Bull Real Ale" festivals at York House we are reviving the idea with a Spring Beer Festival in April, featuring local, independent brewers.

Alliance Française is joining us for some introductions to French culture (and food and drink, of course). The French connection continues with the return of an evening of traditional French folk dancing.



**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF  
YORK HOUSE CENTRE (STONY STRATFORD)**

I report on the accounts for the year ended 31 March 2023 set out on pages 14 to 26.

**Respective responsibilities of Trustees and examiner**

The charity's Trustees (who are also Directors for the purposes of company law) are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's Trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year (under Section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act)) and that an independent examination is required.

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

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

**Basis of Independent examiner's report**

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

**Independent examiner's statement**

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

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

*Matthew Brown*

Matthew Brown FCCA  
For and on behalf of  
Essendon Accounts and Tax Limited  
3 Warren Yard  
Warren Park  
Stratford Road  
Milton Keynes  
MK12 5NW

Dated: 23 November 2023

Your attention is drawn to the fact that the charity has prepared the accounts (financial statements) in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with FRS 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland" ("FRS 102") and the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 as applicable to companies subject to the small company regime.

**YORK HOUSE CENTRE (STONY STRATFORD)**

**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023**

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted funds £	2023 Total funds £	2022 Total funds £
<b>INCOMING RESOURCES</b>					
Incoming resources from generated funds					
Voluntary income	2	107	-	107	2,894
Investment income	3	2,265	-	2,265	456
Incoming resources from charitable activities	4				
Hire of facilities		80,550	-	80,550	51,108
Grants and other contributions		2,167		2,167	12,983
York House Arts For All			-	-	89
Santander Volunteers Project		-	-	-	-
Lanterns		-	2,250	2,250	1,328
Fundraisers		6,043	-	6,043	4,605
JYC Subscriptions & Tuck Shop		-	-	-	85
Junior Youth Club		-	-	-	3,372
Act Out & Act Up			3,261	3,261	2,892
Local Giving		1,979	-	1,979	5,017
Senior Youth Club			5,481	5,481	1,654
Accessible Path Fund		-	2,472	2,472	-
<b>Total incoming resources</b>		<b>93,112</b>	<b>13,464</b>	<b>106,576</b>	<b>86,484</b>

**YORK HOUSE CENTRE (STONY STRATFORD)**

**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023**

		Unrestricted fund	Restricted funds	2023 Total funds	2022 Total funds
<b>RESOURCES EXPENDED</b>					
Charitable activities					
Hire of facilities	5	87,383	-	87,383	76,232
York House Arts For All		-		-	1,080
Lanterns			2,227	2,227	1,017
Fundraisers		4,327	-	4,327	1,494
JYC Subscriptions & Tuck Shop		-	-	-	116
Junior Youth Club		-	3,654	3,654	2,454
Act Out and Act Up		-	-	-	3,808
Accessible Path Fund		-	2,244	2,244	-
Local Giving		500	-	500	-
Senior Youth Club		-	5,481	5,481	3,372
Governance costs	8	4,953	-	4,953	6,884
Total resources expended		<u>97,162</u>	<u>13,606</u>	<u>110,769</u>	<u>96,457</u>
<b>NET INCOMING/(OUTGOING) RESOURCES BEFORE TRANSFERS</b>					
		<u>(4,050)</u>	<u>(142)</u>	<u>(4,193)</u>	<u>(9,973)</u>
Gross transfers between funds		(3,426)	3,426	-	-
Net incoming/(outgoing) resources		<u>(7,476)</u>	<u>3,284</u>	<u>(4,193)</u>	<u>(9,973)</u>
<b>RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS</b>					
Total funds brought forward		494,523	31,581	526,104	536,077
Total funds carried forward		487,046	34,865	521,911	526,104

The notes form part of these financial statements

## YORK HOUSE CENTRE (STONY STRATFORD)

BALANCE SHEET  
AT 31 MARCH 2023

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted funds £	2023 Total funds £	2022 Total funds £
<b>FIXED ASSETS</b>					
Tangible fixed assets	11	500,000	-	500,000	500,000
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>					
Debtors	12	5,660	4,438	10,098	20,697
Cash at bank		-	30,427	30,427	28,386
		5,660	34,865	40,525	49,083
<b>CREDITORS</b>					
Amounts falling due within one year	13	(10,175)	-	(10,175)	(9,221)
<b>NET CURRENT ASSETS/(LIABILITIES)</b>		(4,515)	34,865	30,350	39,862
<b>TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>		495,485	34,865	530,350	539,862
<b>CREDITORS</b>					
Amounts falling due after more than one year	14	(8,439)	-	(8,439)	(13,758)
<b>NET ASSETS</b>		487,046	34,865	521,911	526,104
<b>FUNDS</b>	15				
Unrestricted funds				487,046	494,523
Restricted funds				34,865	31,581
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>				521,911	526,104

The notes form part of these financial statements

**YORK HOUSE CENTRE (STONY STRATFORD)**

**BALANCE SHEET - CONTINUED  
AT 31 MARCH 2023**

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

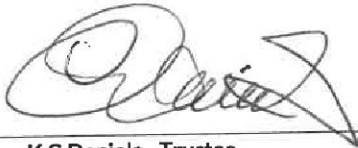
The members have not yet required the charitable company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2023 in accordance with Section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

The Trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for:

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

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the special provisions of Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small charitable companies and with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective January 2015).

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees on 23/11/23 and were signed on its behalf by:



KC Daniels - Trustee

The notes form part of these financial statements

## YORK HOUSE CENTRE (STONY STRATFORD)

### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

#### 1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

##### Accounting convention

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, and in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective January 2015), the Companies Act 2006 and the requirements of the Statement of Recommended Practice, Accounting and Reporting by Charities.

##### Incoming resources

All incoming resources are included on the Statement of Financial Activities when the charity is legally entitled to the income and the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy.

##### Resources expended

Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

##### Tangible fixed assets

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

Freehold property

not provided

The Trustees have elected not to depreciate the building as it was revalued last year.

This represents a departure from the Companies Act 2006 requirements concerning the depreciation of fixed assets.

The Trustees consider that the adoption of this policy is necessary to give a true and fair view.

##### Taxation

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

##### Fund accounting

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

Restricted funds can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity.

Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.

#### 2. VOLUNTARY INCOME

	2023	2022
	£	£
Donations	107	2,894
	<u>107</u>	<u>2,894</u>

**YORK HOUSE CENTRE (STONY STRATFORD)**

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - CONTINUED  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023**

3. INVESTMENT INCOME	2023 £	2022 £
Rents received	2,260	456
Deposit account interest	5	-
	<u>2,265</u>	<u>456</u>

**4. INCOMING RESOURCES FROM CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES**

	Hire of facilities £	Match Funding £	Lanterns £	Accessible Path Fund £	Fundraiser £
Room, equipment hire	80,550	-	-	-	-
Subs income	-	-	-	-	-
Other contributions/donations	-	-	-	-	-
Corporate donations	-	-	-	-	-
Fundraising activities	-	-	1,850	-	6,044
From Local Giving	-	-	-	-	-
Grants	-	1,500	400	2,472	-
Youth leader wages grant	-	-	-	-	-
	<u>80,550</u>	<u>1,500</u>	<u>2,250</u>	<u>2,472</u>	<u>6,044</u>

	Larder & Café income £	Christmas Party £	Senior Youth Club £	Act Out & Act Up £	Local Giving £
Room and equipment hire	-	-	-	-	-
Subs income	-	-	-	3,261	-
Other contributions/donations	-	-	-	-	-
Corporate donations	-	-	-	-	-
Fundraising activities	220	447	-	-	-
From Local Giving	-	-	-	-	1,979
Grants	-	-	-	-	-
Youth leader wages grants	-	-	5,481	-	-
	<u>220</u>	<u>447</u>	<u>5,481</u>	<u>3,261</u>	<u>1,979</u>

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## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - CONTINUED FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

	Total activities 2023	Total activities 2022
	£	£
Room and equipment hire	80,550	51,108
Subs income	3,261	-
Other contributions/donations	447	2,475
Fundraising activities	8,561	5,802
From Local Giving	1,979	5,017
Grants	4,372	13,705
Youth leader wages grants	5,481	5,026
	<u>104,651</u>	<u>83,134</u>

### 4. INCOMING RESOURCES FROM CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES - continued

Grants received, included in the above, are as follows

	2023	2022
	£	£
Stony Stratford Town Council Grants	5,731	1,000
MK Community Foundation	3,472	-
Stony Stratford Business Association	150	-
TK Max ( Match funding)	500	-
Milton Keynes Council	-	8,000
Coronavirus job retention scheme grants	-	4,305
Ancell Trust	-	100
Wolverton Science and Art	-	300
	<u>9,853</u>	<u>13,705</u>

### 5. CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES COSTS

	Direct costs (see note 6)	Support costs (see note 7)	Totals
	£	£	£
Hire of facilities	32,628	53,759	86,387
Fundraisers expenses	4,327	-	4,327
Lanterns expenses	2,227	-	2,227
Junior youth club	-	3,634	3,634
Senior youth club	-	5,481	5,481
JYC subs & tuck shop expenses	-	-	-
York House Arts For All expenditure	-	-	-
Local Giving	500	-	-
Accessible Path Fund	2,244	-	2,244
	<u>41,926</u>	<u>62,874</u>	<u>104,300</u>



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### 6. DIRECT COSTS OF CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	2023 £	2022 £
Rates and water	505	552
Insurance	2,939	3,245
Light and heat	8,048	5,094
JYC subs & Tuck shop expenses	-	116
Lanterns expenses	2,227	1,017
Fundraisers expenses	4,327	1,494
Cleaning and refuse collection	3,924	1,826
Repairs and renewals	13,711	13,844
Licenses and subscriptions	1,651	(349)
York House Arts For All expenditure	-	1,080
Accessible Path Fund	2,244	-
Act Out & Act Up	-	3,808
Local Giving	500	-
Bad debt	1,850	-
	<u>41,926</u>	<u>31,726</u>

### 7. SUPPORT COSTS

	Management £
Hire of facilities	53,759
Junior Youth Club	3,634
Senior Youth Club	<u>5,481</u>
	<u>62,874</u>

Support costs, included in the above, are as follows:

	Hire of facilities £	Act Out Events £	York House Arts For All £	Lanterns £	Junior Youth Club £
Wages and administration costs	53,759	-	-	-	3,634
Sundries	518	-	-	-	-
Staff entertainment	498	-	-	-	-
	<u>54,775</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>3,634</u>

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**7. SUPPORT COSTS - continued**

	Act Out & Act Up £	Senior Youth Club £	2023 Total activities £	2022 Total activities £
Wages and administration costs	-	5,481	62,874	57,527
Sundries	-	-	518	319
Staff entertainment	-	-	498	-
	<u>-</u>	<u>5,481</u>	<u>63,890</u>	<u>57,846</u>

**8. GOVERNANCE COSTS**

	2023 £	2022 £
Accountancy and payroll	2,160	2,232
Legal and professional fees	756	248
Publicity/website	147	1,230
Computer consumables	-	1,199
Telephone	275	343
Bank and credit card charges	481	602
Mortgage Interest	1,134	1,030
	<u>4,953</u>	<u>6,884</u>

**9. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS**

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

Trustees' expenses

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

**10. STAFF COSTS**

	2023 £	2022 £
Wages and salaries	62,874	57,527
The average monthly number of employees during the year was as follows:	2023 <u>7</u>	2022 <u>6</u>

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

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## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - CONTINUED FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

### 11. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

The trustees had the building professionally valued by Kirkby Diamond on 24th March 2014. The market value at this date is £500,000 which is reflected in the accounts. The revaluation represents an unrealised gain. This does not represent a physical cash balance but an accounting reserve to reflect the current market value of the property. Similarly any gain does not represent cash inflow, but is merely for revaluation purposes and would only be realised if the building were sold.

### 12. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2023 £	2022 £
Trade and other debtors	10,098	20,697
Prepayments	-	-
	<u>10,098</u>	<u>20,697</u>

### 13. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2023 £	2022 £
Trade and other creditors	3,728	2,774
Bank loans - less than 1 year	6,447	6,447
	<u>10,175</u>	<u>9,221</u>

### 14. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE AFTER MORE THAN ONE YEAR

	2023 £	2022 £
Bank loans - 1-2 years	6,447	6,447
Bank loans - 2-5 years	1,992	7,311
Bank loans more than 5 years	-	-
	<u>8,439</u>	<u>13,758</u>

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**15. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS**

	At 1/4/22 £	Net movement in funds £	Transfers between funds £	At 31/3/23 £
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>				
General fund	14,727	(4,633)	(8,163)	1,931
Fundraiser	-	1,716	(1,716)	-
Mortgage fund	(20,205)	(1,134)	6,453	(14,886)
Property fund - revaluation reserve	500,000	-	-	500,000
	<u>494,523</u>	<u>(4,051)</u>	<u>(3,426)</u>	<u>487,046</u>
<b>Restricted funds</b>				
Lanterns	1,427	23	-	1,450
York House Arts For All	-	-	-	-
York House Yo Yos	-	-	-	-
YC Subscriptions & Tuck Shop	882	-	-	882
Iain MacInnes Bequest	2,000	-	-	2,000
SYC Subscriptions & Tuck shop	-	-	-	-
Act Out & Act Up	3,498	3,261	-	6,759
Act Out & Act Up Events	-	-	-	-
Community Gardens	623	-	-	623
Magic Little Grant	500	-	-	500
Outside Is For Everyone	2,650	-	-	2,650
Senior Youth Club	-	-	-	-
Junior Youth Club	-	(3,654)	3,654	-
Pheonix Rising	-	-	-	-
Accessible Path Fund	-	228	(228)	-
York House Centre Development Fund	-	-	-	-
Reserves fund	20,000	-	-	20,000
	<u>31,581</u>	<u>(142)</u>	<u>3,426</u>	<u>34,865</u>
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<u>526,104</u>	<u>(4,193)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>521,911</u>

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### 15. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

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

	Unrealised gains	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>				
General fund	-	87,069	91,702	(4,633)
Fundraiser	-	6,043	4,327	1,716
Mortgage fund	-	-	1,134	(1,134)
	-	<u>93,112</u>	<u>97,163</u>	<u>(4,051)</u>
<b>Restricted funds</b>				
Lanterns	-	2,250	2,227	23
Senior Youth Club	-	5,481	5,481	-
Junior Youth Club	-		3,654	(3,654)
	-	3,261	-	3,261
Act Out & Act Up		<u>2,472</u>	<u>2,244</u>	<u>228</u>
Accessible Path Fund				
	-	13,464	13,606	(142)
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	-	<u><u>106,576</u></u>	<u><u>110,769</u></u>	<u><u>(4,193)</u></u>

**YORK HOUSE CENTRE (STONY STRATFORD)**  
**DETAILED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023**

	2023 £	2022 £
<b>INCOMING RESOURCES</b>		
Voluntary income		
Donations	107	2,894
	<u>107</u>	<u>2,894</u>
Investment income		
Rents received	2,260	456
Deposit account interest	5	-
	<u>2,265</u>	<u>456</u>
Incoming resources from charitable activities		
Room and equipment hire	80,550	51,108
Fundraising activities	8,561	5,802
Youth leader wages grants	5,481	5,026
Grants	4,372	13,705
Corporate donations	-	-
Local Giving	1,979	5,017
Subs income	3,261	-
Other contributions and donations	-	2,475
	<u>104,204</u>	<u>83,134</u>
<b>Total Incoming resources</b>	<b>106,576</b>	<b>86,484</b>
<b>RESOURCES EXPENDED</b>		
Charitable activities		
Rates and water	505	552
Insurance	2,939	3,245
Light and heat	8,048	5,094
JYC subs & Tuck shop expenses	-	116
Lanterns expenses	2,227	1,017
Fundraisers expenses	4,327	1,494
York House Yo Yos Expenses	-	1,080
Cleaning and refuse collection	3,924	1,826
Repairs and renewals	13,711	13,844
Licenses and subscriptions	1,651	(349)
Accessible path fund	2,244	-
Act Out & Act Up	-	3,809
Local Giving	500	-
Bad debt provision	1,850	-
	<u>41,926</u>	<u>31,727</u>

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	2023 £	2022 £
Governance costs		
Accountancy	2,160	2,232
Legal and professional fees	756	248
Publicity/website	147	1,230
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Telephone	275	343
Bank and credit card charges	481	602
Mortgage Interest	1,134	1,030
	<u>4,953</u>	<u>6,884</u>
Support costs		
Management		
Wages and administration costs	62,874	57,527
Sundries	518	319
Staff entertainment	498	-
	<u>63,890</u>	<u>57,846</u>
Total resources expended	<u>110,769</u>	<u>96,457</u>
Net (expenditure)/Income	<u>(4,193)</u>	<u>(9,973)</u>

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