

ST GEORGE'S DAY CENTRE (BOLTON) LTD

England & Wales · Charity number 1124588

Details

Status Registered

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Activities

Objects: A TO PROMOTE THE PHYSICAL AND MENTAL HEALTH OF ANY PERSON RESIDENT IN THE BOLTON METROPOLITAN BOROUGH AND NEIGHBOURHOOD WHO IS OR HAS BEEN SUFFERING FROM ANY FORM OF MENTAL ILLNESS OR DISORDER BY THE PROVISION OF A DAY CARE CENTRE FOR ATTENDANCE THEREAT WITH A VIEW TO ASSISTING THE PERSON SO THAT HE OR SHE MAY ADJUST MORE FULLY TO SOCIETY AND ESTABLISH OR RE-ESTABLISH PERMANENT RELATIONSHIPS.B TO PROVIDE RECREATIONAL FACILITIES IN THE INTEREST OF SOCIAL WELFARE FOR RECREATION AND LEISURE TIME OCCUPATION WITH THE OBJECT OF IMPROVING THE CONDITION OF LIFE OF THE SAID PERSONS.

Activities: Mental Health Day Centre.St Georges provides activities and structure to adults suffering with some form of mental health problem and also a general counselling service .St Georges is open Mon-Friday every week.(Closed on Bank Holidays)

Classification

- **How:** Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space, Provides Services, Provides Advocacy/advice/information
- **What:** The Advancement Of Health Or Saving Of Lives
- **Who:** People With Disabilities, Other Defined Groups

Geography

- **Area of benefit:** BOLTON METROPOLITAN BOROUGH AND NEIGHBOURHOOD
- Bolton

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£153,000	£151,402	-	-
2024-03-31	£147,976	£156,473	-	-
2023-03-31	£143,302	£156,718	-	-
2022-03-31	£159,536	£167,277	-	-
2021-03-31	£214,366	£123,938	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
JEREMY SIMON BARKER	Chair	
Anthony Cottam		2019-05-20
John Swarsbrick		2024-02-29
Steven Bunker		2019-05-20

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ST GEORGE'S CENTRE – ANNUAL REPORT 2025

Welcome

This is our 48th AGM and my 21st AGM as Chairman. These are genuinely amazing numbers – time passes so quickly!

Executive Committee

No changes since our last AGM. Committee members remain as myself as Chairman, Steve Bunker as Treasurer, with the other members being Tony Cottam and John Swarsbrick. The Committee works very hard behind the scenes to try to ensure that our members can enjoy the assistance and help that is provided to them and I want to thank my fellow committee members for all their continuing hard work.

NHS Greater Manchester Integrated Care Board

No changes here either - we continue at present to be commissioned by the NHS Greater Manchester Integrated Care Board (NHS GMICB) who have been in place for the last three years. We have a good working relationship with our Commissioners through Paula's hard work together with Steve Bunker, our Treasurer. We continue to fight to ensure the Centre's core funding provision and to argue that we remain very cost efficient and provide a comprehensive quality service that is value for money for any commissioning body. This continues to be recognised and your Executive Committee are confident that this will continue to be the case.

I am pleased to be able to report that we have had confirmation from the ICB that our funding is secure and has been authorised through until at least March 2028. This is really good news for whilst a three-year period was hinted at last year, in recent years funding has actually only been guaranteed on a year-to-year basis, and often only to the end of the current year. Funding security for a three -year period has never happened before and is very welcome.

Whilst reporting about our relationship with our Commissioners, I want to cover a point that was raised at last year's AGM by member Michael Leneghan as noted in the minutes which have been circulated. Michael was concerned about the reduced numbers attending the Centre and asked if steps could be taken to raise awareness of the Centre with local GPs. He was rightly unhappy that no action had been taken following him raising the same point at the previous AGM.

As a result of this we have discussed the point with the ICB representative at one of the regular review meetings, and the system in place to provide information and guidance that is given to local GPs about mental health providers was explained. There is an online system that covers all commissioned services (for all aspects of healthcare, not just mental health). Specifically for mental health there is a flow-chart that gives GPs details of services available depending on the specific needs of a patient so that the GP can make an informed choice as to a referral pathway. Regular bulletins are sent to GPs informing them of any relevant changes to the services provided. It should be noted that we are not allowed to contact GPs directly, and as we are a "referred service" and not a "public facing service" we are not allowed to advertise.

I think it is important to point out that when this Centre started nearly fifty years ago there was very little provision in the community for patients with mental health issues and thankfully over the years that situation has changed and it is good that it has. There are many more services available than there was and it is no surprise at all that the numbers attending the Centre have reduced, but I want to reassure you that there is no minimum attendance figure that we have to reach. The services that we provide will

continue for the foreseeable future, as evidenced by the three-year contract period that I mention above.

Staffing

No changes in the year covered by this report - Paula continued as Manager assisted by Pam Spencer, Andrea Farley and Mark Kitchen. Since year end, however, Mark has left us for pastures new and we wish him well in his future career. I am very pleased to welcome his replacement, Patricia Stainton, to our team and to her first AGM.

This is the twenty-first consecutive year that I have shouted that ALL OF OUR STAFF ARE ABSOLUTE HEROES! and I would like as always to take this opportunity on behalf of the Management Committee to record this publicly and thank them for everything that they have achieved and done this year to keep the Centre moving forward.

I must not forget to mention our dedicated band of Volunteers and helpers from the Church and those members who have felt able to put something back into the Centre by becoming Volunteers themselves. I would also like to thank anybody else that contributes in some way to the continued success of the Centre.

Life in the Centre

This report covers the period from the 1st April 2024 to the 31st March 2025 and during that period there have been lots and lots of different activities.

Our excellent relationship with 'Stars and Stitches' (who are a Community Interest Company who support people to live their lives to their full potential by overcoming their difficulties through community arts and art therapy) has continued and expanded. We have a very good working relationship with them and members are enjoying activities that they provide both inside and outside of the Centre in the Community.

This year Members have attended workshops where they brought t-shirts into the Centre and learned how to tie-dye them. There have been sessions on doll-making (with various techniques), making toadstool houses and various activities using air-dry clay to make pinch pots and decorations. There were also sessions in the run up to Christmas making festive decorations. Maddie, Alice and Lee from Stars and Stiches are very popular and Members love the interaction with them. Members continue to take ideas learned in the workshops and are then setting up their own groups as and when they choose to. The workshops are a big part of life in the Centre. Members continue with the upcycling group which they facilitate themselves and this year there have also been woodwork crafting sessions.

Members enjoyed a day trip to St Annes in September. They explored the sea front and town then were entertained 3-4pm by a friendship group that meets every Thurs in The Lord Derby public house. At 4pm they enjoyed a three-course meal. The sun was shining and a great day was had by all.

In October there was a ladies cancer awareness session and there have been two trips to Chorley market with a fish & chip lunch subsidised by the social fund. There have been some afternoon trips to the cinema. Afternoon Teas on the last Thursday afternoon in the month have proved very popular.

St Georges celebrated Halloween and bonfire night as usual and a Christmas Tombola was organised throughout December which raised £432 towards the Social Fund. Members helped to make Christmas Cakes and Mince pies which also raised £268 to the social fund. Members enjoyed a trip to the annual pantomime at the Albert Halls at a reduced cost of £10 each.

Our Christmas Day Celebrations and meal took place on Thursday 19th December – excellent as usual.

January is always a very long and depressing month so Staff decided to organise some activities to look forward to and since then Members have enjoyed a Valentines Day Meal and a St Patricks Day Meal. Lots of fun is enjoyed by everyone as Staff help to plan a full day of extra activities at our events.

Lots of activities surrounded the build up to Easter week including an Easter Raffle which raised £443.

We have a wide and interesting range of scheduled activities and there really is a full programme for Members to get involved in. I would encourage everyone to “have-a go” and try something different.

Fareshare (which I mention in some detail last year) continues although it has been a little more haphazard recently. It still enables us to do our part in the saving of food waste and passing the benefits on to our members and keeping costs down in the centre. Paula and our staff continue to put a lot of time and work into collecting the supplies for our members outside of working hours and this is a good example of how our staff go above and beyond for the benefit of all who come to the Centre.

Other things to mention – there have been various training updates for staff and updating audits of Policy documents. There has again been a Safeguarding Audit and all documentation in connection with the Charity Commission and Companies House has been updated and is in order. Our Treasurer’s Report will follow shortly, but I can confirm that we are in a healthy financial position.

Bereavements

Very sadly, as there is every year, there is a number of bereavements to note:

- Philip Howarth
- Joseph McAverey (who I’m told played the piano for Members whilst they were doing their artwork)
- Steve Hartley (who worked for us at the Centre for a number of years as a Support Worker)

We remember them all – they will be sadly missed but not forgotten.

Conclusion

This is our 48th AGM and we recognise that our Members’ needs for help and support are greater than ever and, as always, St George’s is there for all of you to get you through all of your difficulties and problems. The job is never finished and we realise that the need for support will continue long into the future. Rest assured that the Centre is always here for you.

Thank you.

Jeremy Barker – Chairman

Income and Expenditure for the year ended 31 March 2025

Income	Mar-24	Mar-25	Expenditure	Mar-24	Mar-25
Funding	£ 124,455.00	£ 125,138.18	Cleaning	£ 129.87	£ 153.62
Donations	£ 1,580.00		Equipment	£ 2,346.37	£ 1,463.03
Interest	£ 1,828.42	£ 8,837.79	Food	£ 5,882.54	£ 4,280.41
Food	£ 19,360.40	£ 19,288.10	Insurance	£ 3,365.92	£ 3,413.72
Sundries	£ 26.00	£ 88.15	Rent	£ 36,188.00	£ 36,188.00
Social Fund	£ 727.05		Social Fund	£ 49.72	£ 27.95
			Stationery	£ 121.34	£ 130.05
			Sundries	£ 1,981.65	£ 2,106.66
			Telephone	£ 2,325.18	£ 2,810.12
			Training	£ 70.00	
			Travel	£ 42.00	£ 127.00
			Volunteers Expenses	£ 1,930.00	£ 2,070.00
			Wages/Payroll	£ 102,041.30	£ 98,631.57
Total Income	£ 147,976.87	£ 153,352.22	Total Expenditure	£ 156,473.89	£ 151,402.13
Opening Balance	£ 222,497.37	£ 214,000.35			
Net Income	£ (8,497.02)	£ 1,950.09			
Total Balances	£ 214,000.35	£ 215,950.44			

Steve Bunker
Hon.Treasurer St Georges Day Centre (Bolton)Ltd

Jenni Byrne
Hon.Auditor

St.George's Day Centre (Bolton) Limited

Financial Year Ended 31 March 2025

I have pleasure in reporting the Centre's results for the financial year ended 31 March 2025.

A detailed analysis of the Profit & Loss statement is attached which needs little further comment. Thanks again to Paula who has provided the detailed breakdown.

The funding support remains steady and our expenditure is very well controlled.

We actually managed a nominal surplus this year, which is nice to see, especially when we'd expected a deficit at the start of the year. Our relationship with Fairshare is clearly having a benefit and this continues to flourish into this year.

Our costs are also slightly lower than 2024, despite the usual increases from the Insurance and BT bills. A testament to how well the Centre is managed.

In summary, the Centre remains financially strong. The funding remains secure, we have a good level of reserves and we manage our costs well. Our projections for the year ending 31 March 2026 suggest a relatively small deficit in the region of £5,000 which, in the present climate, is certainly manageable and will not affect the financial strength of the Centre for the foreseeable future.

Hon.Treasurer, Steve Bunker

May 2024

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Welcome

This is our 47th AGM and my 20th AGM as Chairman. I genuinely cannot believe that I've been doing this for twenty years - where do the years go!

Executive Committee

Since our last AGM, Joan Williams has retired from the Committee after countless years of committed and faithful service and I want to mark in this report her contribution to the Centre over many, many years. I am pleased to be able to confirm that the Committee has a new member to replace Joan and I am delighted to welcome John Swarsbrick to our ranks. The Committee works very hard behind the scenes to try to ensure that our Members can enjoy the assistance and help that is provided to them and I want to put on record today that I am very grateful for the Committee's continuing hard work.

NHS Greater Manchester Integrated Care Board

We continue at present to be commissioned by the majestically named NHS Greater Manchester Integrated Care Board (NHS GMICB) who took over from the Clinical Commissioning Group (the CCG) in 2022. In reality very little changed. However, would you believe that there are now discussions ongoing about the possibility of returning the commissioning of mental health ancillary services back to the CCG! I have mentioned in previous years that Commissioning organisations seem to come and go (there have been too many to count during the life of the Centre) but we carry on regardless. Through Paula's hard work together with Steve Bunker, our Treasurer, we continue to have a healthy continuing dialogue with whoever we need to. We continue to fight to ensure the Centre's core funding provision and to argue that we remain very cost efficient and provide a comprehensive quality service that is value for money for any commissioning body. This continues to be recognised and your Executive Committee are confident that this will continue to be the case.

Staffing

No changes this year - Paula continues as Manager assisted by Pam Spencer, Andrea Greenhalgh and Mark Kitchen.

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I must not forget to mention our dedicated band of Volunteers and helpers from the Church and those members who have felt able to put something back into the Centre by becoming Volunteers themselves. I would also like to thank anybody else that contributes in some way to the continued success of the Centre.

Life in the Centre

This report covers the period from the 1st April 2023 to the 31st March 2024 and therefore is the second full report after the lockdowns and closures caused by the Coronavirus Pandemic. Activities have changed since the pandemic and they are more reliant on staff alongside member volunteers.

Our excellent relationship with 'Stars and Stitches' (who are a Community Interest Company who support people to live their lives to their full potential by overcoming their difficulties through community arts and art therapy) has continued and expanded. We have a very good working relationship with them and members are enjoying activities that they provide both inside and outside of the Centre in the Community. This year they started woodwork craft sessions on Tuesday afternoons and Wednesday mornings. Members have made papier-mâché piggy banks (apparently called "George") and Members have contributed loose change into them for the Social Fund. Maddie, Alice and Lee from Stars and Stiches are very popular and Members love the interaction with them. Fortunately, they managed to obtain additional funding to carry forward their activities for a further year. In the centre members have taken part in upcycling workshops and Printmaking workshops. Members are taking ideas learned in the workshops and then setting their own groups up as and when they choose to. The workshops are very well attended.

Members have enjoyed various local trips such as Smithills Farm, Haigh Hall, Cinema outings, Ten-Pin Bowling, and picnics in the park. Afternoon Teas on the last Thursday afternoon in the month have proved very popular. Members enjoyed a day-trip to Blackpool to celebrate the Centre's birthday and enjoyed a meal (paid for through fundraising activities) at Harry Ramsdens.

St Georges celebrated Halloween and bonfire night throughout the week commencing 30th October and a Christmas Tombola was organised throughout December which raised just over £500 towards the Social Fund. Members enjoyed a trip to the annual pantomime at the Albert Halls at a reduced cost of £10 each.

The Christmas Lunch was in the week before Christmas - and a super meal it was!

January is always a very long and depressing month so Staff decided to organise some activities to look forward to including a New Years buffet and party games on the 4th January. Since then, Members have enjoyed a Valentines Day Meal and St Patricks Day, when they received "care packages" organised and funded by "Stars and Stitches." Lots of fun is enjoyed by everyone as Staff help to plan a full day of extra activities at our events.

Lots of activities surrounded the build up to Easter week including an Easter Raffle which raised over £400.

We have a wide and interesting range of scheduled activities and there really is a full programme for Members to get involved in including: Craft Group, C.P.N Surgery, Self-Care and Well-Being group, Keep-Fit group, Cookery Class, Walk and Talk Group. Other daily activities include Crocheting and knitting, computers, Card making, jigsaws, Colouring therapy, quizzes, table tennis, darts, and pool.

I don't often mention any Members by name, but I think I should mention that one of our long-standing members, Nigel Tatlock, kindly donated £500 to the Centre in 2023 to be used as we see fit. He was leaving it in his Will but instead arranged to donate the funds directly to the Centre immediately - thank you Nigel!

I also think it is worth mentioning our relationship with Fareshare.

There are 3 components to Fareshare:

Fareshare Go is where we go and pick up groceries and other supermarket items three times a week from Asda if we are notified that a pick up is available. This is then distributed to members free of charge on Fridays.

Fareshare ad hoc is where we pick up at Smithfield Market in Manchester every 2 weeks. We do pay for the food but at a low cost and pass the items on to members for a small charge or we sometimes use the items for lunches.

Fareshare plus is where we pick up from Smithfield market and we can choose from whatever food has been delivered that day and we are charged 37p per kilo.

The whole idea is to do our part in the saving of food waste and passing the benefits on to our members and keeping costs down in the centre. We have not put the cost of a hot cooked meal up in many years (it is still £3.00 for a hot lunch and has been since before covid). Paula and our staff do put a lot of time and work into collecting the supplies for our members outside of working hours, and I must make a special mention and give thanks to Dave (Paula's husband) has been volunteering to do the Manchester pick up so it doesn't affect staffing levels in the Centre – many thanks, Dave, it is appreciated!

Other things to mention – we have replaced the Dishwasher for £2,400 with half the cost being kindly donated from the Church. First Aid Training and Mental Health Capacity Act Training for the staff has been brought up to date. Staff have also completed PREVENT training as specifically requested by our Commissioners. There has been a Safeguarding Audit and all documentation in connection with the Charity Commission and Companies House has been updated and is in order. Our Treasurer's Report will follow shortly, but I can confirm that we received an uplift in our annual funding, which although relatively modest, was appreciated.

Bereavements

Very sadly, as there seems to be every year, there is a list of bereavements to note:

- Irene Stewart
- Betty Wroe
- Sofia Potter

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Conclusion

This is our 47th AGM and we recognise that our Members' needs for help and support are greater than ever and, as always, St George's is there for all of you to get you through all of your difficulties and problems. The job is never finished and we realise that the need for support will continue long into the future. Rest assured that the Centre is always here for you, and always will be.

Thank you.

Jeremy Barker – Chairman

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Income and Expenditure statement for the year ended 31 March 2024					
Income	Mar-23	Mar-24	Expenditure	Mar-23	Mar-24
Funding	120,716.84	124,455.00	Cash4chq facility		
Donations	855.95	1,580.00	Cleaning	238.98	129.87
Interest	998.13	1,828.42	Equipment	512.80	2,346.37
Food	19,324.42	19,360.40	Food	6,929.97	5,882.54
GMCA Grant			Insurance	3,291.13	3,365.92
Sundries	807.00	26.00	Health & Wellbeing		
Social Fund	600.00	727.05	Ambition of Ageing Refurbishment	250.90	
Post-year adjustment	277.83		Rent	36,188.00	36,188.00
			Social Fund	612.47	49.72
			Stationery	67.77	121.34
			Sundry	1,582.29	1,981.65
			Telephone	2,053.67	2,325.18
			Therapeutic Earnings		
			Training	60.00	70.00
			Travel	540.00	42.00
			Tutor Fees		
			Volunteers Expenses	2,144.00	1,930.00

Total Income	143,580.17	147,976.87
Opening Balances	235,635.85	222,497.37
Net Income	13,138.48	8,497.02
Total Balances	222,497.37	214,000.35

Wages/Payroll	102,246.67	102,041.30
MOJ Funding		
Total Expenditure	156,718.65	156,473.89

Steve
Bunker
Hon
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The funding support remains steady and our expenditure is very well controlled.

As expected we find ourselves with another deficit of around £8000. This is no surprise and unless we see increased funding or further fundraising, this deficit will remain consistent. We have significant reserves which means we can manage this for the foreseeable future.

In the absence of increased funding in the short term, I would suggest that we seek additional fund raising. Such as grants, charity events or third party donations.

In summary, although we are reporting a deficit for 2023/24, the Centre remains financially strong, has secured funding for the next 3 years, has a good level of reserves, but we should be considering how we generate additional funds to alleviate, if not clear, the prevailing deficit.

Hon.Treasurer, Steve Bunker

May 2024

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Executive Committee

Since our last AGM Professor Ken Halo has retired from the Committee after more than thirty years faithful service and I want to mark in this report his contribution to the Centre over many, many years in a variety of roles. It is because of people like Ken that organisations like ours exist at all. He will be hard to replace but the Committee will try to recruit another member in the coming months. The Committee works very hard behind the scenes to try to ensure that our Members can enjoy the assistance and help that is provided to them. I am grateful for the Committee's continuing hard work.

NHS Greater Manchester Integrated Care

As mentioned in my report last year from June 2022 we have been commissioned by the majestically named NHS Greater Manchester Integrated Care (NHS GMIC) who took over from the Clinical Commissioning Group (the CCG). In reality very little has changed. I have mentioned in previous years that Commissioning organisations seem to come and go (I think this is the seventh or eighth in the life of the Centre) but we carry on regardless. Through Paula's hard work together with Steve Bunker, our Treasurer, we continue to have a healthy continuing dialogue with whoever we need to. We continue to fight to ensure the Centre's core funding provision and to argue that we remain very cost efficient and provide a comprehensive quality service that is value for money for any commissioning body. This continues to be recognised and your Executive Committee are confident that this will continue to be the case.

Staffing

Paula continues as Manager assisted by Pam Spencer, Andrea Greenhalgh and Mark Kitchen. Jean Haslam, who has been connected to the Centre in various roles over a long period of time did not return after the Covid lockdown periods and has now severed her links with the Centre. Like Ken Halo, Jean has been connected to the Centre for a long time and I want to note in this report her contributions over the years. Jean has recently obtained her Doctorate and is now therefore Dr Jean Haslam. We wish her well in retirement.

This is the nineteenth consecutive year that I have shouted that ALL OF OUR STAFF ARE ABSOLUTE HEROES! and I would like as always to take this opportunity on behalf of the Executive Committee to record publicly and thank them for everything that they have achieved and done this year to keep the Centre moving forward.

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Coronavirus Pandemic. Activities have changed since the pandemic and they are more reliant on staff alongside member volunteers as well as our links with 'Stars and Stitches' who are a Community Interest Company who support people to live their lives to their full potential by overcoming their difficulties through community arts and art therapy. We have a very good working relationship with them and members are enjoying activities that they provide both inside and outside of the Centre in the Community.

The Tai Chi and aerobics Volunteer and the Woodwork Volunteer did not return after 'Covid' due to other commitments although there is a new woodwork project currently open to members.

Members have enjoyed various local trips such as Smithills Farm, Haigh Hall, Cinema outings and picnics in the park. They also really enjoyed their first Day Trip away to Llandudno in 3 years thanks to Rakem Ltd (where our Treasurer now works) who raised £800 for St Georges.

In the centre members have taken part in music quiz, karaoke and have started and completed work on a 'covid canvas'. Last Summer there was a bookbinding course and also an upcycling group started.

Throughout last summer workshops ran on Thursday and Friday mornings facilitated by Maddie and Lee (from Stars and Stitches) and they successfully applied for more funding to continue the classes. The workshops are very well attended and members love the interaction with Maddie and Lee. Members are taking ideas learned in the workshops and then setting their own groups up as and when they choose to.

Some Members successfully completed their Food Safety Level 2 course in the Summer – well done! Staff have also completed their Level 2 Food Hygiene Course, as have some Member Volunteers – again very well done!

St Georges celebrated Halloween and bonfire night throughout the week of 1st -4th November. Also, through November, Mark grew a moustache to raise funds through the 'just giving' fundraising site. He raised £48.05 and I understand that members bought raffle tickets with the winner having the privilege of shaving it off! This raised another £50 – a sterling effort!

The Christmas Lunch was on Thursday 22nd December - and a super meal it was!

January is always a very long and depressing month so Staff decided to organise some activities to look forward to including a New Years buffet half way through the month. Since then, Members have enjoyed Chinese New Year meal, a Valentines Day Meal and St Patricks Day. Lots of fun is enjoyed by everyone as Staff help to plan a full day of extra activities at our events.

Members have also enjoyed trips to the Cinema.

We have scheduled activities - Tuesday afternoon: art group; Wednesday morning: upcycling group; Thursday: quilt making (making a peace quilt) and Friday mornings printmaking. Happily, we have been able to make use of the woodwork room once again with help from a Qualified retired tutor (and the guys from Stars and Stiches).

There really is a full programme for Members to get involved in including: Craft Group, C.P.N Surgery, Self-Care and Well-Being group, Weight Management, Wii Fit exercise, Walk and Talk Group. Other daily activities include Crocheting and knitting, computers, Card making, jigsaws, Colouring therapy, quizzes, table tennis, darts and pool.

Back in 2019 we signed up to “Fareshare” and finally, in February this year, Paula was contacted to say that we had come to the top of the list and we could sign up to be part of “Fareshare Go”. Paula now collects donations from Asda every Tuesday and Thursday. This has enabled us to help all Members struggling with the much-publicised Cost of Living crisis.

Lots of work has been done with individual members on a one to one basis. Lots of members are struggling with keeping on top of their finances and are needing all kinds of help to help them budget and also prioritise their different needs.

Members enjoy breakfast and healthy hot lunch every day and we also have meals to take home.

Counselling

Sadly, due to the way that Counselling in Bolton is now organised and funded, we took the difficult decision last year that it was simply not viable for us to continue with the service and this really marked the end of an era in the life of the Centre. Whilst Counselling had been part of our provision for many, many years, it was not our core purpose and the structures imposed by the organisation of Counselling in Bolton just really made it impossible to continue. This coincided with the retirement of Philomena who had run our Counselling Service and the decision was to concentrate all of our efforts on running the Day Centre.

Bereavements

Very sadly, as there seems to be every year, there is a list of bereavements to note:

- Adrian Platt
- Alan Anderson
- Louise Leneghan
- George Roberts
- Most recently, Irene Stewart

We remember them all – they will be sadly missed but not forgotten.

Conclusion

This is our 46th AGM and we have survived a National Emergency (the Coronavirus Pandemic) to find ourselves with extortionate energy costs and a Cost-of-Living Crisis. Our Members’ needs for help and support is greater than ever and, as always, St Georges is there for all of you to get you through all of your difficulties and problems. The job is never finished and we realise that the need for support will continue long into the future. Rest assured that the Centre is always here for you.

“Stay Safe”
Thank you.

Jeremy Barker – Chairman

Income and Expenditure statement for the year ended 31 March 2023

Income	Mar-23	Mar-22	Expenditure	Mar-23	Mar-22
Funding	120,716.84	118,982.00	Cash4chq facility	-	-
Donations	855.95	294.49	Cleaning	238.98	297.76
Interest	998.13	25.42	Equipment	512.80	756.72
Food	19,324.42	15,375.47	Food	6,929.97	6,173.50
GMCA Grant	-		Insurance	3,291.13	3,184.27
Sundries	807.00	411.98	Health & Wellbeing		
Social Fund	600.00		Ambition of Ageing		1,175.20
HMRC re Furlough	-	12,938.37	Refurbishment	250.90	1,430.00
Counselling	-	11,508.11	Rent	36,188.00	30,331.36
CVS/Health & Wellbeing funding	-		Social Fund	612.47	597.94
			Stationery	67.77	135.61
			Sundry	1,582.29	2,310.76
			Telephone	2,053.67	1,736.42
			Therapeutic Earnings		
			Training	60.00	126.40
			Travel	540.00	
			Tutor Fees		
			Volunteers Expenses	2,144.00	2,196.50
			Wages/Payroll	102,246.67	116,824.99
			MOJ Funding		
Total Income	143,302.34	159,535.84	Total Expenditure	156,718.65	167,277.43
Opening Balances	235,635.85	243,377.44			
Net Income	- 13,416.31 -	7,741.59			
Total Balances	222,219.54	235,635.85			

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Hon.Treasurer

Jenni Byrne
Hon.Auditor

St.George's Day Centre (Bolton) Limited

Financial Year Ended 31 March 2023

I have pleasure in reporting the Centre's results for the financial year ended 31 March 2023.

A detailed analysis of the Profit & Loss statement is attached which needs little further comment. Thanks again to Paula who has provided the detailed breakdown.

The funding support remains steady and our expenditure is very well controlled.

Unfortunately, due to the drop off from One Point Counselling, we found ourselves around £12,000 worse off than the last financial year.

Unless we get increased funding or find ways of generating alternative sources of income, we will always find ourselves with a similar deficit going forward.

Positively, funding has been confirmed with a small uplift for the next 3 years. We also hold good reserves which can carry such a deficit for many years, but I would suggest that we seek additional fund raising. Such as grants, charity events or third party donations. Unless of course we can convince the CCG to increase their funding, which at this stage seems unlikely.

In summary, although we are reporting a deficit for 2022/23, the Centre remains financially strong, has secured funding for the next 3 years, has a good level of reserves, but we should be considering how we generate additional funds to alleviate, if not clear, the prevailing deficit.

Hon.Treasurer, Steve Bunker
May 2023

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ST GEORGE'S CENTRE – ANNUAL REPORT 2022

Welcome

This is our 45th AGM and my 18th AGM as Chairman. This is a slightly shortened report as due to the continued Coronavirus Pandemic the period covered by this report (March 2021 to March 2022) still included restrictions imposed by the Government to protect the nation. In both of my reports for the last two years I stated that I was hopeful that we could have a more traditional AGM and welcome all of our Members to a more normal meeting process, and it is really great that today we are, at last, able to do just that. Coronavirus has, of course, not gone away but thanks to the vaccination programme (I had my booster jab yesterday) we are certainly in a much better place than we have been.

Executive Committee

No changes since the last AGM and, as always, I am really grateful for everyone's hard work.

Bolton CCG

During the period covered by this report we were commissioned by the Clinical Commissioning Group (the CCG) although now this organisation has ceased to exist and as from the end of June 2022 all of their functions have been taken over by NHS Greater Manchester Integrated Care. Commissioning organisations seem to come and go (I think this is the seventh or eighth in the life of the Centre) but we carry on regardless. Through Paula's hard work together with Steve Bunker, our Treasurer, we have a healthy continuing dialogue with whoever we need to. We continue to fight to ensure the Centre's core funding provision and to argue that we remain very cost efficient and provide a comprehensive quality service that is value for money for any commissioning body. This has thus far been recognised and we are confident that this will continue to be the case.

Staffing

Paula continues as Manager but there have been changes in the Support Workers with Philomena retiring at Christmas and two new members of staff joining in Andrea Greenhalgh and Mark Kitchen. Welcome to the "family" at St George's to you both. They join Pam Spencer and Jean Haslam in our merry band.

I really must make special mention and mark our special thanks to Philomena who retired in December after 25 years of service to the Centre. We held a fabulous retirement party in the Church which was decorated superbly and we were entertained and fed in a royal fashion. It really was a great day and a fitting send-off to a loyal and faithful servant of the Centre who hopefully is now enjoying her retirement to the full.

This is the eighteenth consecutive year that I have shouted that ALL OF OUR STAFF ARE ABSOLUTE HEROES! and I would like as always to take this opportunity on behalf of the Executive Committee to record publicly and thank them for everything that they have achieved and done this year to keep the Centre moving forward.

I must not forget to mention our dedicated band of Volunteers and helpers from the Church and those members who have felt able to put something back into the Centre by becoming Volunteers themselves. I would also like to thank all of our Tutors from Bolton Community College and indeed anybody else that contributes in some way to the continued success of the Centre.

Life in the Centre

The Centre reopened in April 2021 after closing the previous March. The few months leading up to April 2021 was spent getting the Centre ready to open safely. The lounge was modernised whilst the Centre was closed. Perspex screens were purchased along with masks and the church kindly allowed us to use the disinfecting (fogging) machine. Covid testing kits were on hand for anybody to use.

April saw St Georges start to open one day per week to see how existing members felt and how people would stick to restrictions in place. In June we started trying 2 days per week with a deep clean in between days. From August we were 3 days per week and back to 4 from September. There were limits on numbers of members using various rooms for safety reasons and restrictions in place. Members can be applauded for using the Centre as safely as possible and also for adhering to the restrictions. It was a nervous time for all.

Since reopening fully, the usual activities have returned - Craft Group, C.P.N Surgery, Self-Care and Well-Being group, Weight Management, Wii Fit exercise, Cookery Class, Walk and Talk Group.

Other daily activities include Crocheting and knitting, computers, Card making, jigsaws, Colouring therapy, quizzes, table tennis, darts and pool.

Members enjoy breakfast and healthy hot lunch every day and we also have meals to take home.

This year we have provided over 1300 contact hours per week with our members.

Counselling

During the period covered in this Report Monday Counselling provided a valuable service to the general public of Bolton. The Counselling service was well organised by Philomena and delivered by our excellent team of Counsellors but due to the pandemic the way the service was delivered had to change. Mobile phones and laptops were purchased (funded with the help of a grant) so that our Counsellors could deliver the service remotely. We would like to thank them all for their efforts in making this service a success during this stressful period and delivering some very positive outcomes for their clients.

Sadly, due to the way that Counselling in Bolton is now organised and funded, we have taken the difficult decision that it is simply not viable for us to continue with the service and this is really the end of an era in the life of the Centre. This will feature in next year's Report in more detail.

Bereavements

Very sadly, as there seems to be every year, there is a long list of bereavements to note:

- Daniel Buxton
- James Duffy
- Valerie Hill
- Clive Owen
- Heather Symon
- Karen Lever
- Brendon Smith
- Bob Whittle

We remember them all – they will be sadly missed but not forgotten.

Conclusion

This is our 45th AGM and it is good to get back to a more normal meeting. Despite the difficulties, we have come through the worst of this National Emergency and the Centre has survived and continues to support the Members whose need for that support is probably greater than ever.

“Stay Safe”

Thank you.

Jeremy Barker – Chairman

Income and Expenditure statement for the year ended 31 March 2021

	Mar-21	Mar-20		Mar-21	Mar-20
Income			Expenditure		
Funding	118,982.00	115,149.12	Cash/Chq facility	-	-
Donations	300.00	1,016.05	Cleaning	51.50	297.54
Interest	70.56	303.09	Equipment	-	214.32
Food	-	21,100.71	Food	87.10	7,978.25
GMCA Grant	8,100.00	-	Insurance	2,910.35	3,147.40
Sundries	-	440.00	Health & Wellbeing	-	1,669.60
Social Fund	-	1,954.00	Ambition of Ageing	-	1,107.05
HMRC re Furlough	59,549.91	-	Retirbishment	-	92.44
Counselling	26,363.60	19,537.28	Rent	-	35,493.00
CVS/Health & Wellbeing funding	1,000.00	4,499.18	Social Fund	3,815.34	125.86
			Stationery	183.98	239.91
			Sundry	2,028.29	2,720.02
			Telephone	1,179.65	2,318.90
			Therapeutic Earnings	-	-
			Training	-	306.20
			Travel	-	-
			Tutor Fees	-	800.00
			Volunteers Expenses	248.00	3,838.07
			Wages/Payroll	105,333.79	105,725.81
			MOJ Funding	8,100.02	-
Total Income	214,366.07	163,999.43	Total Expenditure	123,938.02	166,074.37
Opening Balances	152,305.39	154,380.33			
Net Income	90,428.05	2,074.94			
Total Balances	242,733.44	152,305.39			

Steve Bunker
Hon. Treasurer



Jenni Byrne
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St.George's Day Centre (Bolton) Limited

Financial Year Ended 31 March 2022

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A detailed analysis of the Profit & Loss statement is attached which needs little further comment. Thanks again to Paula who has provided the detailed breakdown.

Not knowing whether we were going to continue to receive central funding during lockdown/Covid-19, we quite rightly asked for Government support via the Furlough Scheme and received such in the region of £60,000. The Church also helped out and allowed a holiday on our rental payments which saved us somewhere in the region of £30,000. This effectively underpins the growth in reserves to the tune of £90,000. This has significantly helped the Centre get through this financial period and ensured that we remain on a stable footing for the foreseeable future.

The CCG continue to hold quarterly meetings to ensure that their money is being well spent and their reports in this regard are very favourable.

Commissioning is changing for 2022 and once this process is determined we will of course let everybody know.

In summary, although we were effectively closed for 2020/21 the Centre has financially held its ground and has a good level of reserves.

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ST GEORGE'S CENTRE – ANNUAL REPORT 2021

Welcome

This is our 44th AGM and my 17th AGM as Chairman. This is a shortened report due to the restrictions imposed by the Government to protect the nation from the Coronavirus Pandemic meaning that the centre has been closed during the whole of the period covered by this report (March 2020 – March 2021). Hopefully next year we can have a more traditional AGM and welcome all of our Members to a more normal meeting process.

Executive Committee

No changes since the last AGM.

Staffing

No changes this year..

Activities

The Centre closed on the 20th March and re-opened in April 2021. Staff kept in touch with members by regular phone calls during this difficult period. Staff met at the Centre in early December 2020 to start making up “Pamper Hampers” which were delivered to Members for Christmas.

Counselling:

This restarted in June 2021 remotely through laptops and mobile phones.

Bereavements.

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- Margaret Willis
- Louise Adams
- Heather Simone
- Vincent Sherdon
- Jean Ward
- Paul Catterall
- Brendon Smith
- Daniel Buxton

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Conclusion

This is our 44th and again held in very unusual circumstances. The Centre will survive and continue to support the Members whose need for that support is probably greater than ever.

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