

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT
TO THE TRUSTEES OF
INTEGRATE YOUTH FOR CHRIST**

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of Integrate Youth for Christ ('the charity') for the year ended 31 March 2023 on pages 9 to 12 following.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the trustees of the charity you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the 2011 Act').

I report in respect of my examination of the charity's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act.

Independent examiner's statement

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

1. accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the 2011 Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with the accounting records.

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

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Date: 24 September 2024

Reference and administration details

Charity Name: Integrate Youth for Christ

Other names charity is known by: Integrate YFC and IYFC

Registered Charity Number: 1134413

Charity's Principal address: Diss Methodist Church,
Victoria Road,
Diss IP22 4EY

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole period
1	Ginni Brinkley	Secretary	
2	David Cunliffe	Chairman	
3	Stuart Merton		
4	Jonathan Richardson	Treasurer	
5	Dave Reynolds		From September 2022
6	Paul Holloway		Until July 2022

Name of Centre Director and other members of staff

	Staff name	Role	Dates acted if not for whole period
1	Steph Richardson	Centre Director	
2	Amy Cossey	Schools & area youth worker	
3	Merja Newbould	Schools & area youth worker	
4	Helen Dubroeuq	Administrator	Aug 2022 – Nov 2022
5	Stuart Merton	Administrator	From February 2023

Structure, governance and management

Description of Integrate Youth for Christ's:

- Type of governing document: Constitution dated 19th May 2009. Most recently amended in November 2015
- How the charity is constituted: Integrate Youth for Christ is constituted as a local trust and has affiliate membership of British Youth for Christ.
- Trustee selection methods: Trustees are appointed or reappointed annually at the Annual General meeting in May.

Additional governance issues

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| Statement of Faith | All trustees have signed a 'Statement of Faith'. |
| Policies and procedures adopted to date | In 2018 we signed the new Annual Charter with British Youth for Christ and in 2021 we renewed it. |
| A wider network | Integrate Youth for Christ is an affiliate member of British Youth for Christ, and is a 'Recognised Centre' which must comply with the registration regulations adopted by British Youth for Christ. |
| Working with the community | Integrate Youth for Christ is partnering with local churches, schools and other statutory bodies (i.e. Police, council) to provide regular programmes within the communities in which we operate. |
| Trustees remuneration | All trustees give their time voluntarily and have received no remuneration. |
| Conflict of interest | <p>The trustees have noted that the Centre Director, who is the highest paid employee, is the spouse of the treasurer, a trustee of the charity. Also that the Administrator is also a trustee of the charity.</p> <p>However, the charity has a conflict of interest policy which is monitored and updated by the trustees as required. As part of this policy, the treasurer/administrator recuses themselves from any decision making in relation to the Centre Director or Administrators employment including compensation, hours or other benefits.</p> |

Objectives and activities

Summary of the objects of Integrate Youth for Christ as set out in our Constitution	<p>(1) To advance the Christian faith for the benefit of young people in accordance with the statement of faith and to demonstrate, promote and encourage Christian values, including dignity, empowerment and partnership to all young people throughout the world and in particular (but without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing) in North Suffolk and South Norfolk and its environs;</p> <p>(2) the advancement of the Christian faith mainly, but not exclusively by means of proclaiming Christian messages of an evangelistic and teaching nature throughout the world and in particular (but without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing) in North Suffolk and South Norfolk and its environs;</p> <p>(3) the advancement of the education of children and young people through support and mentoring in schools, colleges and other educational establishments, through lunchtime and after school clubs, street based youth work and other youth provision to develop their physical, mental and spiritual capacities, that they may grow to full maturity as individuals, and that their condition of life may be improved;</p> <p><i>During the early part of the past year, this object was affected by the Covid-19 pandemic but since September 2021 our activities have gradually returned to normal and ultimately this object has been largely met.</i></p> <p>(4) to relieve poverty and sickness thereby demonstrating the Christian faith by promoting overseas service, education, practical action and working with those affected, either directly or through relevant relief agencies.</p>
Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects	<p>As trustees we consider the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit and support the Centre Director in developing the role of Integrate Youth for Christ in the communities in which we work.</p> <p>more2life lunchtime clubs in Diss, Harleston, and Thetford Academy High Schools benefit young people by providing the opportunity for them to explore issues of interest to them and thereby developing their confidence, social skills and knowledge. It also serves the wider school community by providing a place for those who are challenged by their home environment to share how they are feeling in non-aggressive ways.</p> <p>The Banham Youth café in conjunction with local churches and community seek to serve the population and environs of Banham by reducing evening disturbance. The Diss Youth Café, the after school club in Burstn and Pulse in Thetford have served those localities by providing places for activities and recreation for local high school children without the need for travel.</p> <p>Mentoring 6th formers at Diss High School supports individual students in many anxious situations and alleviates pressure on staff and the wider school body.</p> <p>The Chaplaincy project which started in September 2021 and supports students in the Primary schools and High school of St Benets Academic Trust to relieve the anxiety of students, support staff and aids transitions from primary to high school.</p>
Contribution made by volunteers	<p>We continue to be indebted to our volunteers (including the trustees) for their ongoing support. The success of our activities relies on them as they help us at weekly lunchtime clubs, term time weekly Youth cafés, annual camp, and events. We are very grateful to them for their help.</p>

Achievements and performance

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the reporting period

2022-2023 has been a year of developing new work such as the Chaplaincy Project and consolidating activities that restarted after the Covid pandemic. The trustees continue to be grateful to Steph, Amy and Merja for the brilliant work they do across so many differing situations. It was sad to see Helen leave us during the year and a delight to see Stuart take on the admin role.

More2life lunchtime clubs

After a return to 'live action' clubs last year, these have continued to develop during 2022/2023.

Sadly we have not yet been able to restart lunchtime clubs in Old Buckenham or Long Stratton, due mainly to a lack of volunteers to give us adequate coverage for the club. Harleston, Diss and Thetford have all gained momentum this year as well as generally increased numbers.

We have also been able to start two lunchtime clubs in Harleston Academy Primary and Diss Juniors as part of the Chaplaincy project.

Youth Cafés

All four of our Youth cafes are running but it has been an area of challenge for us this year. Our greatest obstacle has been the recruitment of consistent long term volunteers. However, the team have manfully persevered and in Banham we have seen the first signs of better times ahead.

Diss High School 6th Form Informal Mentoring & 1:1 Mentoring

Our 6th Form Mentoring continues to be welcomed by Diss High school and is working well. We have continued to mentor a couple of students on a 1:1 basis

Encounter

Last year we reported smaller numbers at the newly revived live 'Encounter' event. This year I can report numbers just about back to pre-covid levels and the event is a time of fun and laughter, worship and a message. Orlando Castro has 'built' a band that leads us, and is also building another one in Fressingfield – thank you Orlando.

Assemblies

We have presented assemblies this year in Harleston Sancroft Academy, Dickleburgh Primary, Garboldisham primary, Bishops High school in Thetford.

Prayer Space

We once again provided a Prayer Space but this year it was in the High School at Long Stratton in December. This was extremely well received and a teacher said "Feedback from students was overwhelmingly positive. They like the time to think about things that they don't usually get to consider in school and liked the atmosphere you created." A student said "The best activity I've done since starting high school".

Chaplaincy

Our Chaplaincy to St. Benets multi academy trust continues apace with a real sense of growing trust. There will be challenges ahead around funding and the expansion of the trust and their desire to deliver chaplaincy across all their schools.

Prayer

Integrate Youth for Christ started in prayer meetings and we still strive to keep prayer at the root of all we do. Our half termly Prayer meetings at the Methodist church are reasonably well attended. Our Prayer walks are usually less well attended but do give us the chance to pray for the areas that we work in. Always feel free to join us.

Encounter Camp 2022

Wow, what a camp we had in Summer 2022. We had a wonderful time with a tremendous sense of team amongst the leaders. Our feedback forms were overwhelmingly positive with the only grumbles about spiders!!! And not enough washing up bowls.

Best of all, three young people committed their lives to Jesus and many more responded during the response times.

It was a fantastic week.

Fundraising

Cake Sale

Masterminded by Ginny this was a massive success and raised a record £730

The Overnight Walk

Again a super successful walk undertaken by Jonathan and David, this year raising £1090

Christmas Puddings & Cakes

This year we added Cakes to our puddings and sold them together for a bonus price and Ginni and Linda did sterling work and raised £114

Quiz Night

In March we held our first quiz since lockdown and raised £266

Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's
policy on reserves

It is the policy of Integrate Youth For Christ to hold in reserve three months of salary costs less unrestricted regular giving. This policy is reviewed every year.

As at 31 March 2023, the amount to be held in unrestricted reserves was calculated as £9399. Therefore, the available unrestricted funds of £13,486 at the year-end were at the expected level and are monitored regularly by the trustees.

Further Financial Review details -
Principal source of funds

The trustees are pleased with the financial results for the year, in the context of rising inflation and costs. There was a small 1% increase in income received compared to the previous year, to £47,686. Operating costs increased by 1% - to £44,928 an increase of £3,383 on the previous year, leading to a surplus of £2,758 for the year.

Total cash funds at the end of the year were £20,468, of which £13,493 are unrestricted and £ 6,982 are restricted in relation to the St Benet's Chaplaincy Project, Thetford Youth Project and Diss High School Sixth Form Project and an equipment grant for Burston Youth Café.

The St Benet's Chaplaincy Project is to develop chaplaincy within the St Benet's multi-academy trust group of schools, working with the Diocese of Norwich.

The Thetford Youth Project is developing Christian youth work in the town of Thetford in partnership with the local churches.

The Diss High School Sixth Form Project is an informal mentoring and chaplaincy project.

Grant Funding

Our most important and main source of funds is from the generosity of individuals who give to Integrate Youth for Christ on a regular monthly basis, thank you.

We are grateful for grant funding support from the following organizations:

- Simply Sound
- Thetford Christians Together
- South Norfolk Council
- St Mary's Burston PCC
- Diocese of Norwich
- St Benet's Multi Academy Trust

Charity Law requires us as trustees to prepare financial statements for each accounting year which record the receipts and payments for the year. We are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable us to ensure

Declaration

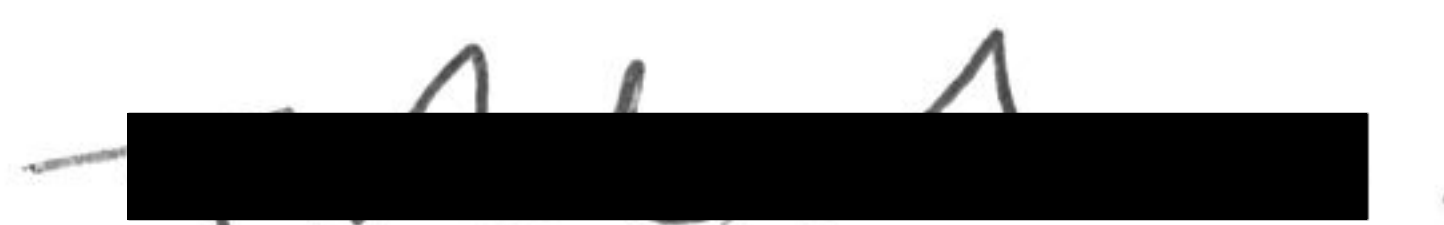
The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees report above.

At the time of signing the trustees declare that

- there are no new matters which may have a bearing on the accounts and which need to be disclosed
- the charity continues to be a going concern.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature



Full Name

Jonathan Richardson

Office

Treasurer

Date

23/04/2024



Charity Name Integrate Youth For Christ	No (if any) 1134413
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Receipts and payments accounts

For the period from	Period start 01/04/2022	To	Period end date 31/03/2023
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Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestrict ed funds	Restrict ed funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Last year
	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
General Sales	1,347	-	-	1,347	4,115
Grant Income	-	13,500	-	13,500	8,143
Fundraising	2,321	-	-	2,321	1,733
Event Income	5,256	-	-	5,256	5,123
Donations (Individual)	12,970	360	-	13,330	9,042
Donations (Organisation)	4,020	6,346	-	10,366	13,214
Gift Aid	1,518	-	-	1,518	1,650
Interest received	49	-	-	49	5
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	27,480	20,206	-	47,686	43,025
A2 Asset and investment sales					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	27,480	20,206	-	47,686	43,025

A4 Asset and investment purchases					
	-	-	-	-	-
Computer equipment	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	28,889	16,039	-	44,928	41,545
Net of receipts/(payments)	- 1,409	4,167	-	2,758	1,480
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	14,895	2,815		17,710	16,230
Cash funds this year end	13,486	6,982	-	20,468	17,710

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Current Account	3,779	-	-
	Camp Account	1,612	-	-
	Savings - Integrate BMM	8,053	6,982	-
	Paypal	49	-	-
	Total cash funds (agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	13,493	6,982	-

	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets	Gift aid receivable	1,489	90	-
	Debtors	30	-	-
		-	-	-


	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B3 Investment assets			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	Computer equipment	Unrestricted	1,705	-
	PA Equipment	Unrestricted	-	3,000
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	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
B5 Liabilities	Accrual for independent examination fee for March 2023 accounts	Unrestricted	720	March 2024
			-	
	Expenses payable	Unrestricted	43	March 2024

Notes

Signed by one or two trustees on
behalf of all the trustees

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
	Jonathan Richardson	23/09/24