

NORRIS GREEN COMMUNITY ALLIANCE

England & Wales · Charity number 1136867

Details

Status	Registered
Legal form	Charitable company
Company number	06853661
Registered	2010-07-14
Register	View on the Charity Commission register

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Activities

Objects: (A) TO DEVELOP THE CAPACITY AND SKILLS OF THE MEMBERS OF THE SOCIALLY ANDECONOMICALLY DISADVANTAGED COMMUNITY OF NORRIS GREEN IN LIVERPOOL INSUCH A WAY THAT THEY ARE BETTER ABLE TO IDENTIFY, AND HELP MEET, THEIRNEEDS AND TO PARTICIPATE MORE FULLY IN SOCIETY, AND IN PARTICULAR, BUT NOTEXCLUSIVELY:(B) TO FURTHER OR BENEFIT THE RESIDENTS OF NORRIS GREEN AND THENEIGHBOURHOOD, WITHOUT DISTINCTION OF SEX, SEXUAL ORIENTATION, RACE OR OFPOLITICAL, RELIGIOUS OR OTHER OPINIONS BY ASSOCIATING TOGETHER THE SAIDRESIDENTS AND THE LOCAL AUTHORITIES, VOLUNTARY AND OTHER ORGANISATIONS INA COMMON EFFORT TO ADVANCE EDUCATION AND TO PROVIDE FACILITIES IN THEINTERESTS OF SOCIAL WELFARE FOR RECREATION LEISURE TIME OCCUPATION WITH THEOBJECTIVE OF IMPROVING THE CONDITIONS OF LIFE FOR THE RESIDENTS.

Activities: EMPOWER SUPPORT THE COMMUNITY OF NORRIS GREEN IN LIVERPOOL IN SUCH A WAY THAT THEY ARE BETTER ABLE TO IDENTIFY, AND HELP MEET THEIR NEEDS AND IN PARTICLAR .TO ENCOURAGE THE COMMUNITY TO WORK TOGETHER PUTING ON ACTIVITIES FOR THOSE TO PARTICIPATE. USING ACTIVITIES TO BRING THE COMMUNITY TOGETHER, INTERGENERATIONAL PROJECTS, PLAYSCHMES , DANCE AND DRAMA, COMMUNITY EVENTS, TRAINING FOR VOLUNTEERS.

Classification

- **How:** Provides Services
- **What:** Economic/community Development/employment
- **Who:** The General Public/mankind

Geography

- **Area of benefit:** LIVERPOOL
- Liverpool City

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£194,463	£192,817	-	-
2024-03-31	£196,375	£224,142	-	-
2023-03-31	£254,792	£267,941	-	-
2022-03-31	£191,942	£187,590	-	-
2021-03-31	£191,042	£162,190	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
JULIE DAWN ROBERTS	Chair	
David Charles Roberts		2019-03-29
EDNA EVELYN WHITESIDE		
ERIC WILLIAMS		2013-01-07
John Healey		2023-06-05

Accounts

Norris Green Community Alliance

(A COMPANY LIMITED BY GUARANTEE)

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**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AND
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025**

NORRIS GREEN COMMUNITY ALLIANCE (Limited by Guarantee)
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FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 March 2025

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NORRIS GREEN COMMUNITY ALLIANCE (Limited by Guarantee)
CHARITY & COMPANY INFORMATION

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATION DETAILS

Charity Name

Norris Green Community Alliance (Limited by Guarantee)

Registered Charity Number

1136867

Registered Company Number

06853661

Registered Office

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E Williams – Secretary
E Whiteside
D Roberts
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NORRIS GREEN COMMUNITY ALLIANCE (Limited by Guarantee)
TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT
For the year ended 31 March 2025

The trustees, who are also directors of the charity for the purposes of the Companies Act 2006, present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2025.

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in note 1 to the accounts and comply with the Charities Act 2011 and the '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 2019)'.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Organisational Structure

Norris Green Community Alliance is a registered charity with The Charity Commission, Charity Number 1136867 and a registered Company Limited by Guarantee with Companies House, Company Number 06853661 on 20 March 2009.

The governing instruments under which it operates comprise the Memorandum and Articles of Association dated 20 March 2009 amended by special resolution registered with Companies House on 3 June 2010. In the event of the company being wound up members are required to contribute an amount not exceeding £10 each.

The trustees meet regularly and are responsible for the strategic direction and policy of the charitable company. Managers also attend these meetings but have no voting rights.

Risk Management

The trustees have reviewed the major risks to which the Charity is exposed. It regularly reviews the key financial information and has examined other operational and business risks which the Charity faces. It also confirms that there are established systems in place to mitigate significant risks and where necessary respond to them. Procedures are in place to ensure compliance with health and safety of staff, volunteers, service users and visitors to the premises.

PUBLIC BENEFIT

When planning and programming activities for the local residents of Norris Green, the Trustees of Norris Green Community Alliance are mindful of the Charity Commissions guidelines on Public Benefit.

HISTORY

Norris Green Community Alliance was established in 2008 by a group of residents who mobilised the wider community to tackle current and emerging issues. Despite all the challenges taking place at the time, there remained a strong resilient community who came together to make decisions about what their community needed to change to move the way forward. From the very beginning we recruited volunteers who were part of this group and who still remain active in their community to this day.

OBJECTIVES AND AIMS

The Charitable company's principal objectives are to develop the capacity and skills of the members of the socially and economically disadvantaged community of Norris Green in Liverpool in such a way that they are better able to identify, and help meet, their needs and to participate more fully in society. As a local independent charity and embedded community hub we offer a range of evolving provisions that meet multiple needs. We focus however in particular upon – reliving poverty and hardship through advice, advocacy, training, working in partnership with other providers such as Feeding Liverpool and CAB, as well as offering access to social activities for participants to relive isolation and improve their wellbeing, activities for 'middle years' children and young people and building community involvement in the running of community groups. These activities give them ownership of their community and that contributes to the regeneration of such area.

ACHIEVEMENT AND PERFORMANCE

Norris Green Community Alliance has continued to tackle current challenges, and adapt, diversify and support the Norris Green community. During this past year changes to our charity activities and services have resulted in us helping and supporting many more residents in several different ways.

This report gives a brief overview of some of the changes, achievements and overall performance and how we continue to maintain high quality services and the delivery of a range of diverse activities to support our community and beneficiaries to help them meet the new challenges we have seen continue with the impact of the 'Cost of Living Crisis'.

Giving support to the community helps them maintain their day to day lives and move forward in a positive manner for the benefit of themselves and their communities. All our services and new services have been welcomed by our community and this is reflected in the various additional projects and activities we have undertaken. This has seen a massive impact of our organisation and staff time.

This year has been very demanding for our staff with changes to staff leaving and new staff coming into post, and the increase in need and demand for services and activities. Key areas highlighted with most need included mental health, food and financial hardship and access to children's activities. This list is not exhaustive and priorities change regularly. We continue to work in partnership with 'Feeding Liverpool' and the CAB (utility top ups) through the Household Support Scheme which is in its 6th round includes supporting families with weekly food parcels, community meals, further support for utilities, and debt working with Energy project Plus and Norris Green Debt advice.

We have noticed that there is an increase in the issuing of Food Bank Vouchers and additional foods from our weekly Fare Share and Food Social (additional foods and bread, pastries, vegetables). Weekly food deliveries are in the region of 600 households, with over 1392 community meals and offer of weekly surplus foods to our community anyone who needs this, at Ellergreen Community Centre. We still use Energy Project which can help right off utility debt in special cases. This figure is reduced as many more people and families have become eligible for the Household Support scheme round 6 which offers up to £250 grants towards their utility account through our [partnership with the CAB. We are very thankful to have staff and committed volunteers in place to continue to deliver the food stuff, community interest activities to support and develop the ward and individuals.

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For the year ended 31 March 2025

Due to changes within Liverpool City Council including boundary changes and the new election of local councillors, the high-profile event the 'Norris Green Community Carnival', was unable to take place this summer. Through talks with the council members in place now they have indicated that they want this to happen later next year 2025. We continue to deliver services to meet increased demand including promotion and provision of mental health projects to support beneficiaries and a women's only Coffee Morning support group with activities.

Key achievements during this year. From April 2024 to March 2025, we have maintained the number of people we are reaching, being fortunate to work with over 11,500 (multiple users 26,751) residents in Liverpool, with over 94% residing in Norris Green L11 and Sparrowhall L9. Our charity has benefited from emergency support funding and core funding support from Liverpool City Council, The Henry Smith Charity, LCVS, Cobalt Housing, Feeding Liverpool, Merseyside Play Action Council (MPAC) and the HAF programme. We also received funding for the YES project (Youth Empowerment Scheme) through the Community Foundation for Merseyside This has enabled us to further support and develop activities for our young people. Ensuring they get the best opportunities we can give them, homework support, support with incidents of violence that are recorded in the public profile across local areas. Offering residential, sport and creative activities, along with chill times. Supporting their families with food hardship and sign posting families to other services with offer and have access to i.e. Debt Advice, Mental Health support. Throughout the year we have delivered over 600 social, community sessions including training and activities as previously recorded. The Norris Green Community Carnival was held in August 2024 and the attendance of over 3500 was a massive achievement for the community and everyone who played their part in organising or taking part far exceeding all expectations. Such a great day with so many positive outcomes, despite incidents of unrest taking place locally, with so many people mixing with others.

Between July 2024 and March 2025, we had a direct involvement and lead in the Norris Green community. During this time, we were able to continue to support and signpost residents to other agencies such as local housing associations, CAB etc., especially those who had been affected and suffered hardship due to the 'Cost of Living crisis'. We were also able to continue food deliveries through various organisations such as Feeding Liverpool, Feeding Britain, LCVS and Liverpool City Council. We have supported over 462 adults and 780 children this year.

Our Mental Healthy Co-ordinator has role has been one of the most effective use of resources and we are overwhelmed by how positively this service has affected beneficiaries and community members across all areas of charity services. Despite the original funding ending we have continued to run many community sessions to support mental health in our community, as well as delivery of our listening ear one-to-one service, continued letters of support for benefit cases, i.e. PIP, disability allowance, housing issues and a host of other areas. There has also been training available on Listening Ear to Mental Health to develop listening skills, one to one consultation, coping mechanisms and emotional resilience and many others.

Part of our social activities bringing people together to combat loneliness, and isolation has grown in the last year as people are wanting to get out more. There are double the figures.... and increasing. We were able to run subsidised weekly 2 course meals lunch clubs/community meals (1100) with access to one a week for 10 months averaging 25 plus attendees a week, and bingo sessions, along with 40 coffee/social mornings, 2 Christmas meals locally in the community, heavily subsidized with social bingo included. We also ran community trips. One of these trips was our very popular trip to Blackpool for families to see the lights. There were 150 people who enjoyed this trip.

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For the year ended 31 March 2025

With the continuance of weekly Family Roller Discos every Friday, allows exercise sessions and fun families get together attendees reaching 120 per week. (This figure is capped by the sports centre) These sessions have been run by our volunteers for many years, as have many of our other activities.

The 3-day Santa Sleigh ride through Norris Green, which we managed alongside Liverpool City Council and local partners was welcomed back in early December 2023 and continued early in December 2024. Santa and his helpers delivered over 4000 selection boxes across the streets of Norris Green. Nearly 7200 residents flocked to local roads, gardens and doorways and children and adults alike witnessed the spirit of Christmas. Very moving feedback from how magical it was for the children from parents.

Our after-school provision and out of school holiday clubs continue to flourish, operating from two centres which has maximum capacity attendance 4 days a week and made possible thanks to the HAF (Holiday Activities and Food programme) run in conjunction with Merseyside Play Action Council (MPAC) and Liverpool City Council. This fund has been extended for a further 3 years and in our partnership with Feeding Britain enabled us to ensure all our attendees receive free healthy meals, breakfast, lunch and snacks throughout those periods where applicable, taking part in physical and creative activities and signposting the families to other services that they may need to access. We run a full programme through every school holiday. With additional funding as the HAF funding covers Christmas, Easter and Summer holidays, not the holidays in between. The YES project enable us to offer 3 residencies throughout the year to give children an experience away from home that many have never had, with other activities that are difficult to fund. On average we are offering 180 eligible places each week through the school holidays for children and young people.

We continued to support our local TRAs (Tenants and Residents Associations) with funding support; Sparrowhall TRA ran their holiday play schemes throughout the school holidays with HAF funds and the After School provision continues with secured funding that was received from Awards For All enabled them to employ paid staff to work for the very first time in the TRA's history, they receive support for this application from our Community Development Officer, they also received through Cobalt Housing, local ward councillors through their LNF (Local Neighbourhood Fund), along with Coffee Mornings, Yoga classes and Christmas Dinner for Older People. SPRING (Scargreen Park Regeneration in Norris Green) continues to look at ways to improve Scargreen Park working in partnership with the children and projects like 'Clean Sweep' with Police and young people from our club who have been working with local Police litter picking and making hanging baskets. Also looking at session discussing knife crimes and self-defence.

Cuts have been made to budgets through Liverpool City Council but there are still some projects we were still be able manage with partners that previously had been funded by Liverpool City Council.

During the Autumn and Winter months we continued to offer a variety of Mischief and Halloween activities to keep the community engaged and use community spaces during darker, colder days and evenings.

Throughout October we delivered 285 Halloween activity and food packs for families facing hardship and isolation, hosted a Halloween themed Roller Disco and a Halloween party for 230 families with food and activities. We also worked alongside other groups re anti-social behaviour preventative projects during October and November. (Mischief Night/Bonfire night)

December and the run up to Christmas/New Year is always a very busy period for the charity. We delivered over 225 food hampers to households facing food insecurity, financial hardship and isolation and, thanks to donations, and a local charity. We also provided pyjamas and necessities with food hampers and essentials through a local benefactor who has given these hampers for many years. With the Shoe Box appeal, we were overwhelmed by people's generosity and were able to give some boxes to other groups in the area. We organised Older Peoples Christmas Lunches, festive trips out, Christmas parties, The Men's Group (JAM) (Just Average Men) continues to meet each Monday and has increased its membership. They meet in the community centre engaging with other like-minded men offering quizzes, speakers, exercising, local trips and other ideas for its members.

It is so good to see community coming back from the challenges they have faced, The Cost-of-Living Crisis continues to affect the most vulnerable people in our community, and we are so grateful to have received funding from Feeding Liverpool that enables us to provide emergency food parcels and other funders that enable us to give strong support you those who need it the most in our community.

SPECIAL THANKS

The Norris Green Community Alliance would like to thank the following funders as well as partners and key community members who have contributed their time, funding, knowledge and skills that have been instrumental in our work this year. Thanks to Norris Green Ward Councillors, Merseyside Play Action Council (MPAC), Sutton Croft and Liverpool City Councillor's, the delivery of the HAF (Holiday Activities and Food) Programme. The Henry Smith Charity for ongoing funding support for core costs and salaries, (we have just been awarded a further 3 years funding), Community Foundation Funding for Lancashire and Merseyside. With the YES Project, LCVS Community Impact Fund, John Moores for support with our Administrators, PH Holt for families and mental health support and Liverpool City Council LNF, Cobalt Housing, On Ward Housing and Torus Foundation for community funding for many of our projects this year. Smaller donations that have made a significant impact on our work 'The Charity Trust', Groundwork, Tesco Bags fund and our very loyal local volunteers and staff who worked with us this year and other small donations we received from the local community. It would be fair to say that without these funders and volunteers who we value so much supporting us we would not be able to manage our support in the community the way we do so
THANK YOU ALL.

The Trustees of the NGCA would like to express their deepest and most sincere gratitude to the workers and volunteers of the NGCA who form the backbone of our organisation whom without we would not be able to offer the support we do, the Cost of Living Crisis coming so soon after the effects of the pandemic has thrown up many other challenges in our community which was never expected. They have worked tirelessly to ensure that our community received as much support they could possibly provide during these uncertain times. They also ensured that those most in need received help in the form of hardship, advice, food etc. along with getting the community back into social activities and other support to help them post covid. We as a Board of Trustees have seen this first hand and have seen the impact on the community.

A message from the Chair of Norris Green Community Alliance Board.

This year has been busy as usual for everyone at the Norris Green Community Alliance. We had a change to the staffing in the office as our office manager started a new job, but the hard work and commitment of Denise and Miranda have ensured that the community services we provide were still provided to the highest standard.

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In May we had local elections and 3 new Councillors were elected to represent Norris Green. Because all of the Councillors were new, they couldn't commit to funding for our annual carnival. Hopefully they will help fund some of the Christmas activities.

We still support and work in partnership with Sparrowhall though the boundary has changes, we are still providing after school clubs and summer holiday play schemes in all of our three clubs, Scargreen, Norris Green Youth Centre and Sparrowhall. We have been part of the HAF scheme again this year and it has proved to be very much needed in the clubs. We have been providing hot meals and snacks for the children and also providing food bags for some of the parents. For some of the children this is the only hot meal they will receive during the school holidays.

Our mental health coordinator, Sandra, has run quite a few courses throughout the year including bereavement counselling, mental health awareness, assertiveness courses and a listening ear service.

As Chair of the Board of Trustees I would like to take this opportunity on behalf of myself and the whole Board to thank our office staff, play staff, volunteers and partners for their hard work and dedication."

PLANS FOR THE FUTURE PERIODS

We continue to support our community in the best ways we can by ensuring our services, and will be working hard to increase our partners and referral agencies for the benefit of our community. We have been successful in being awarded a further 3 years funding from the Henry Smith Charity who have supported us tirelessly over the last 6 years. There are major changes as to how the Youth and Play Grant and Community Resources grant is to be changed into one grant going forward too. As we are very lucky to receive funds from both these grants it will be interesting in how these pans out. We have also received funds through the John Moore's Foundation next year to increase our admin support services and further funds from Feeding Liverpool. Hopefully this will give us a positive start to next year which will be quite challenging with the 'Cost of Living' crisis taking its toll on our community, government changes, and the budgets at LCC (being optimistic!). We are hoping that we receive these additional funds to enable us to continue working hard to ease the situation in our community. We are grateful for the further funds that will help support this. Whilst our community has shown great resilience in dealing with the challenges over the last 2 years we are hopeful that 2025-26 will bring just rewards for all and we hope we will all be in a better place.

We have continued to reach out to most of the people we know and have worked with and welcome new users to engage in our activities and supporting those back into our activities. Attendance is extremely good. We have changed our directions constantly to identify, engage and accommodate more activities and projects that we feel are needed in the community and the gaps in delivery. This current year has again brought many new challenges. In the main challenges with hardship and poverty are affecting everyone and we are doing our very best to support people as much as we are able. We continue to see a rise in housing evictions, anti-social behaviour and unemployment which present further challenges. On the positive side we have maintained very close links with the local housing organisation Cobalt who are putting additional funds into the community to tackle some of these and giving further support for the community. Big shout out for all our volunteers without them we would not be able to operate on the same scale as we have their support never ceases to surprise us or diminishes.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Total income for the year was £194,463 (2024: £196,375) of which £183,706 (2024: £184,343) related to funding for projects upon which restrictions were placed.

Total expenditure in the year was £192,817 (2024: £224,142) leaving a surplus for the year of £1,646 (2024: deficit £27,767). At 31 March 2025 the charity's reserves stood at £24,145 (2024: £22,499) of which £23,725 (2024: £17,874) were restricted funds.

RESERVES POLICY

It is the policy to maintain unrestricted funds, which are free reserves, at a level to cover redundancy provisions and allow the charity to continue to run a reduced service of activities for two months should no further funding be received. At 31 March 2025 the unrestricted reserves did not meet this target and the trustees are aware that they must keep this in mind to maintain the reserves the charity needs established as free reserves.

STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES RESPONSIBILITIES

Company law requires the Directors to prepare financial statements for each financial period that give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company and of its income and expenditure for that period. In preparing those financial statements, the Directors are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the company will continue as a going concern;
- state whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departure disclosed and explained in the financial statements.

The directors are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the company and to enable them to ensure that the financial accounts comply with the Companies Act 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD:


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Eric Williams – Secretary


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Date

REPORT OF THE INDEPENDENT EXAMINER TO THE MEMBERS OF NORRIS GREEN COMMUNITY ALLIANCE

I report on the accounts for the year ended 31 March 2025 set out on pages 12 to 21.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees 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 of the Charities Act 2011 (the Charities Act) and that an independent examination is required.

It is my responsibility to:

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

Basis of the 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 the 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:

1. which gives me reasonable cause to believe that, in any material respect, the requirements:
 - a. to keep accounting records in accordance with section 386 and 387 of the Companies Act 2006; and
 - b. to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records, comply with the accounting requirements of section 394 and 395 of the Companies Act 2006 and with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities have not been met; or
2. to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed: Stephen Leonard

Date: 11-12-25

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NORRIS GREEN COMMUNITY ALLIANCE (Limited by Guarantee)
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
(INCORPORATING AN INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT)
For the Year Ended 31 March 2025

		2025 Unrestricted funds £	2025 Restricted funds £	2025 Total funds £	2024 Total funds £
	Note				
INCOMING RESOURCES					
Incoming & endowments from:					
Donations and legacies	2	2,947	4,998	7,945	14,120
Charitable activities	3	7,290	178,708	185,998	181,591
Other trading activities	4	-	-	-	-
Investments	5	520	-	520	664
Total income		10,757	183,706	194,463	196,375
RESOURCES EXPENDED					
Raising funds		-	-	-	-
Charitable activities	6	18,240	174,577	192,817	224,142
Total expenditure	7	18,240	174,577	192,817	224,142
Net income / (expenditure) for the year before transfers		(7,483)	9,129	1,646	(27,767)
Transfer between funds		3,278	(3,278)	-	-
Net income/(expenditure) for the year		(4,205)	5,851	1,646	(27,767)
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Total funds brought forward	13	4,625	17,874	22,499	50,266
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		420	23,725	24,145	22,499

There are no recognised gains or losses other than the net movement in funds for the above two financial years. All incoming resources and resources expended derive from continuing activities.

The notes form part of these financial statements

NORRIS GREEN COMMUNITY ALLIANCE (Limited by Guarantee)
BALANCE SHEET
At 31 March 2025
Registration Number: 06853661

	Note	2025 Unrestricted funds £	2025 Restricted funds £	2025 Total funds £	2024 Total funds £
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible assets	9	-	-	-	100
CURRENT ASSETS					
Debtors	10	-	-	-	-
Cash at bank and in hand	11	1,606	23,725	25,331	23,529
		1,606	23,725	25,331	23,529
CREDITORS					
Amounts falling due within one year	12	(1,186)	-	(1,186)	(1,130)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		420	23,725	24,145	22,399
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		420	23,725	24,145	22,499
FUNDS	13				
Unrestricted funds				420	4,625
Restricted funds				23,725	17,874
TOTAL FUNDS				24,145	22,499

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

Directors' responsibilities

- The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its accounts for the year in question in accordance with section 476 of the Companies Act 2006
- The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 with respect to accounting records and preparation of accounts.
- These accounts have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies' regime.

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


Eric Williams – Secretary

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Date

The notes form part of these financial statements

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Accounting convention

The financial statements of the charity, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, have been prepared under the historical cost convention, the Charities Act 2011 and 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice for Charities' 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 2019). The charity has taken advantage of the disclosure exemption in preparing these financial statements, as permitted by FRS 102, the requirements of Section 7 Statement of Cash Flows.

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

Going Concern

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

Income

Incoming recognition

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

Incoming Resources with Related Expenditure

Where incoming resources have related expenditure (as with fundraising or contract income) the incoming resources and related expenditure are reported gross in the SoFA

Grants and Donations

Grants and donations are only included in the SoFA when the Charity has unconditional entitlement to the resource.

Contractual Income and Performance Related Grants

This is only included in the SoFA once the related goods or services have been delivered.

Volunteer Help

The value of any voluntary help received is not included in the accounts.

Investment Income

This is included in the accounts when receivable.

Expenditure and Liabilities

Liability Recognition

Liabilities are recognised as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure.

Governance Costs

These include costs of the preparation and examination of statutory accounts, the costs of trustee meetings and cost of any legal advice to trustees on governance or constitutional matters.

Grants and Performance Conditions

Where the charity gives a grant with conditions for its payment being a specific level of service output to be provided, such grants are only recognised in the SoFA once the recipient of the grant has provided the specific service or output.

Grants payable without Performance Conditions

These are only recognised in the accounts when a commitment has been made and there are no conditions to be met relating to the grant which remain in the control of the charity

Fixed assets and depreciation

Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates in order to write off each asset over its estimated useful life. The following rates and methods are used:

Equipment - 15% reducing balance

All equipment, fixtures and fittings with an original cost of less than £800, are written off in the year in which the expenditure was incurred on the basis that due to the nature of the company's activities, there is no expectation that the cost of the assets will be recovered in the way of future revenues.

Financial instruments

The charity only has financial assets and financial liabilities of a kind that qualify as basic financial instruments. Basic financial instruments are initially recognised at transaction value and subsequently measured at their settlement value with the exception of bank loans which are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

Taxation

The charity is exempt from corporation tax on its charitable activities and is not registered for VAT. As a registered charity the company benefits from rates relief.

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.

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Note	2025 Unrestricted	2025 Restricted	2025 Total	2024 Total
	£	£	£	£
2 Donations and legacies				
Donations	2,947	4,998	7,945	9,277
West Derby Waste Lands	-	-	-	250
Liverpool Council	-	-	-	4,593
	<u>2,947</u>	<u>4,998</u>	<u>7,945</u>	<u>14,120</u>
	2025 Unrestricted	2025 Restricted	2025 Total	2024 Total
	£	£	£	£
3 Charitable activities				
Awards for All	-	-	-	2,500
Big Help	-	-	-	400
Citizen Advice	-	-	-	5,928
Cobalt Housing	-	7,529	7,529	8,827
DWF	500	500	1,000	-
Feeding Liverpool	5,540	21,017	26,557	-
Henry Smith Charity	-	37,500	37,500	16,500
John Moores Foundation	-	10,000	10,000	-
LCVS	-	1,500	1,500	16,864
Liverpool Council - City Activities	500	900	1,400	1,125
Liverpool Council - Carnival	-	6,000	6,000	4,500
Liverpool Council - LNF Fund	750	10,250	11,000	2,500
Liverpool Council - Community Resource	-	6,000	6,000	6,000
Liverpool Council - Youth & Play	-	32,206	32,206	9,700
Lottery Cost Of Living Fund	-	-	-	34,239
HAF & eat to meet	-	40,706	40,706	62,658
Torus Foundation	-	1,000	1,000	-
Your Edge	-	3,600	3,600	6,600
Norris Green Youth & Play Consortium	-	-	-	3,250
	<u>7,290</u>	<u>178,708</u>	<u>185,998</u>	<u>181,591</u>
	2025 Unrestricted	2025 Restricted	2025 Total	2024 Total
	£	£	£	£
4 Other trading activities				
Other trading activities	-	-	-	-
	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>

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Note	2025 Unrestricted £	2025 Restricted £	2025 Total £	2024 Total £
5 Investments				
Bank interest receivable	520	-	520	664
	<u>520</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>520</u>	<u>664</u>
	2025 Unrestricted £	2025 Restricted £	2025 Total £	2024 Total £
6 Resources Expended				
Charitable activities				
Governance Costs - see below	1,150	-	1,150	1,100
Activities & sessional & volunteers	5,590	77,126	82,716	93,562
Bank charges	122	63	185	226
Contribution to Hardship Funds	-	225	225	1,656
Depreciation	100	-	100	20
Donations to schools for uniforms	-	500	500	2,500
Consumables/equipment for activities	853	3,371	4,224	3,873
Fareshare	-	2,558	2,558	975
Food	150	16,297	16,447	21,983
Insurance	280	1,129	1,409	762
Payroll fee	-	765	765	656
Printing & stationery	764	2,719	3,483	2,845
Rent, rates & room hire	296	9,007	9,303	13,476
Sundry	346	477	823	884
Telephone & Internet	424	434	858	1,553
Training	150	1,740	1,890	275
Travel	37	815	852	1,034
Wages	7,978	57,351	65,329	76,762
	<u>18,240</u>	<u>174,577</u>	<u>192,817</u>	<u>224,142</u>
Included in Governance costs				
Independent examiner's fees	1,150	-	1,150	1,100
	<u>1,150</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,150</u>	<u>1,100</u>

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Note	Direct Charitable Expenditure	Support & Governance Costs	Total
	£	£	£
7 Analysis of expenditure			
Total expenditure in 2025	156,519	36,298	192,817
Total expenditure in 2024	183,154	40,988	224,142
Analysed as follows:	2025	2024	
	£	£	
Direct Charitable Expenditure			
Activities & sessional staff	82,716	93,562	
Contribution to Hardship Funds	225	1,656	
DBS	-	-	
Donations to schools for uniforms	500	2,500	
Consumables/equipment for activities	4,224	3,873	
Fareshare	2,558	975	
Food	16,447	21,983	
Travel	852	1,034	
Wages	48,997	57,571	
	156,519	183,154	
Support & Governance Costs			
Governance Costs	1,150	1,100	
Bank charges	185	226	
Depreciation	100	20	
Insurance	1,409	762	
Payroll fee	765	656	
Printing	3,483	2,845	
Rent, rates & room hire	9,303	13,476	
Sundry	823	884	
Telephone & Internet	858	1,553	
Training	1,890	275	
Wages	16,332	19,191	
	36,298	40,988	

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Note	2025	2024
8 Staff Costs and Employees	£	£
Wages and salaries	65,110	76,608
Social security costs	-	-
Pension	219	154
	<u>65,329</u>	<u>76,762</u>

No employee earned £60,000 or more during the year (nor the previous year)

The average number of employees during the year was :	2025	2024
Charitable activities	3	4
Administration	2	2
	<u>5</u>	<u>6</u>

9 Fixed Assets

	Equipment	Total
	£	£
Cost		
At 1 April 2024	720	720
Disposals	-	-
Additions	-	-
At 31 March 2025	<u>720</u>	<u>720</u>

Depreciation

At 1 April 2024	620	620
On Disposals	-	-
Charge for year	100	100
At 31 March 2025	<u>720</u>	<u>720</u>

Net Book Value

At 31 March 2025	-	-
At 31 March 2024	100	100

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Note	2025	2024
10 Debtors	£	£
Prepayments & accrued income	-	-
	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
	2025	2024
11 Cash at bank and in hand	£	£
Current Account	13,810	6,662
Deposit Account	11,521	16,867
	<u>25,331</u>	<u>23,529</u>
	2025	2024
12 Creditors : amounts falling due within one year	£	£
Creditors : amounts falling due within one year	-	-
Accruals	1,186	1,130
	<u>1,186</u>	<u>1,130</u>

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Note		Balance at				Balance at
13	Movement in Funds	31 March	Incoming	Resources	Transfers	31 March
		2024	Resources	Expended	In / (Out)	2025
		£	£	£	£	£
	Unrestricted Funds					
	General Fund	4,625	10,757	(18,240)	3,278	420
		<u>4,625</u>	<u>10,757</u>	<u>(18,240)</u>	<u>3,278</u>	<u>420</u>
	Restricted Funds					
	Donations	1,218	8,439	(11,682)	3,000	975
	HAF	4,117	39,566	(33,042)	(5,000)	5,641
	Norris Green Youth & Play	405	11,458	(14,335)	2,866	394
	Cobalt	-	1,800	(1,800)	-	-
	Henry Smith Charity	-	37,500	(32,144)	-	5,356
	Youth Empowerment Fund	-	16,990	(18,290)	1,300	-
	Liverpool Council - Active Norris Green Partnership	1,658	-	(600)	-	1,058
	Liverpool Council - Youth & Community	-	13,298	(12,854)	(444)	-
	Liverpool Council - Hardship	2,135	4,063	(5,131)	-	1,067
	Liverpool Council - Carnival	-	17,980	(17,980)	-	-
	John Moores Foundation	-	10,000	(8,864)	-	1,136
	Feeding Liverpool	2,250	21,017	(11,044)	(5,000)	7,223
	LCVS CCGMW	4,143	900	(5,043)	-	-
	Cobalt Housing	1,948	695	(1,768)	-	875
		<u>17,874</u>	<u>183,706</u>	<u>(174,577)</u>	<u>(3,278)</u>	<u>23,725</u>
	Total Funds	<u>22,499</u>	<u>194,463</u>	<u>(192,817)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>24,145</u>

14 Trustees' Remuneration and Benefits

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 31 March 2025 nor for the year ended 31 March 2024

15 Trustees' Expenses

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 31 March 2025 nor for the year ended 31 March 2024

16 Capital Commitments

The company had no capital commitments at 31 March 2025 (2024: None) either contracted for or authorised by the directors but not contracted for.

Accounts

Norris Green Community Alliance

(A COMPANY LIMITED BY GUARANTEE)

REGISTERED COMPANY NUMBER: 06853661 (England and Wales)

REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER: 1136867

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AND
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31
MARCH 2024

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CHARITY & COMPANY INFORMATION

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATION DETAILS

Charity Name
Norris Green Community Alliance (Limited by Guarantee)

Registered Charity Number
1136867

Registered Company Number
06853661

Registered Office

NORRIS GREEN COMMUNITY ALLIANCE (Limited by Guarantee)

Norris Green Community Alliance
Ellergreen Community Centre
Ellergreen Road
Liverpool
Merseyside
L11 2RY

Trustees

J Roberts — Chairperson
C Pettitt — (resigned 22 May 2023)
E Williams — Secretary
E Whiteside
D Roberts
J Healey (appointed 15 May 2023)

Bankers

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Independent Examiner

Counting for Communities Ltd
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TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT
For the year ended 31 March 2024

The trustees, who are also directors of the charity for the purposes of the Companies Act 2006, present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2024.

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in note 1 to the accounts and comply with the Charities Act 2011 and the '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 2019)'.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Organisational Structure

Norris Green Community Alliance is a registered charity with The Charity Commission, Charity Number 1136867 and a registered Company Limited by Guarantee with Companies House, Company Number 06853661 on 20 March 2009.

The governing instruments under which it operates comprise the Memorandum and Articles of Association dated 20 March 2009 amended by special resolution registered with Companies House on 3 June 2010. In the event of the company being wound up members are required to contribute an amount not exceeding £10 each.

The trustees meet regularly and are responsible for the strategic direction and policy of the charitable company. Managers also attend these meetings but have no voting rights.

Risk Management

The trustees have reviewed the major risks to which the Charity is exposed. It regularly reviews the key financial information and has examined other operational and business risks which the Charity faces. It also confirms that there are established systems in place to mitigate significant risks and where necessary respond to them. Procedures are in place to ensure compliance with health and safety of staff, volunteers, service users and visitors to the premises.

PUBLIC BENEFIT

When planning and programming activities for the local residents of Norris Green, the Trustees of Norris Green Community Alliance are mindful of the Charity Commissions guidelines on Public Benefit.

HISTORY

Norris Green Community Alliance was established in 2008 by a group of residents who mobilised the wider community to tackle current and emerging issues. Despite all the challenges taking place

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at the time, there remained a strong resilient community who came together to make decisions about what their community needed to change to move the way forward. From the very beginning we recruited volunteers who were part of this group and who still remain active in their community to this day.

OBJECTIVES AND AIMS

The Charitable company's principal objectives are to develop the capacity and skills of the members of the socially and economically disadvantaged community of Norris Green in Liverpool in such a way that they are better able to identify, and help meet, their needs and to participate more fully in society. As a local independent charity and embedded community hub we offer a range of evolving provisions that meet multiple needs. We focus however in particular upon — reliving poverty and hardship through advice, advocacy, training, working in partnership with other providers such as Feeding Liverpool and CAB, as well as offering access to social activities for participants to relive isolation and improve their wellbeing, activities for 'middle years' children and young people and building community involvement in the running of community groups. These activities give them ownership of their community and that contributes to the regeneration of such area.

ACHIEVEMENT AND PERFORMANCE

Norris Green Community Alliance has continued to tackle current challenges, and adapt, diversify and support the Norris Green community. During this past year changes to our charity activities and services have resulted in us helping and supporting many more residents in several different ways.

This report gives a brief overview of some of the changes, achievements and overall performance and how we continue to maintain high quality services and the delivery of a range of diverse activities to support our community and beneficiaries to help them meet the new challenges we have seen continue with the impact of the 'Cost of Living Crisis'.

Giving support to the community helps them maintain their day to day lives and move forward in a positive manner for the benefit of themselves and their communities. All our services and new services have been welcomed by our community and this is reflected in the various additional projects and activities we have undertaken. This has seen a massive impact of our organisation and staff time.

This year has been very demanding for our staff with changes to staff leaving and new staff coming into post, and the increase in need and demand for services and activities. Key areas highlighted with most need included mental health, food and financial hardship and access to children's activities. This list is not exhaustive and priorities change regularly. We continue to work in partnership with 'Feeding Liverpool' and the CAB (utility top ups) through the household support scheme which includes supporting families with weekly food parcels, community meals, further support for utilities, and debt working with Energy project Plus and Norris Green Debt advice.

We have noticed that there is an increase in the issuing of Food Bank Vouchers and additional foods from our weekly Fare Share and Food Social (additional foods and bread, pastries, vegetables). Weekly food deliveries are in the region of 585 households, with over 1183 community meals and

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offer of weekly surplus foods stuff to anyone who needs this. We have also issued 71 energy top ups. This figure is reduced as many more people and families have become eligible for the Household Support scheme through CAB. We are very thankful to have staff and committed volunteers in place to continue to deliver the food stuff, community interest activities to support and develop the ward and individuals.

Due to changes within Liverpool City Council including boundary changes and the new election of local councillors, the high-profile event the 'Norris Green Community Carnival', was unable to take place this summer. Through talks with the council members in place now they have indicated that they want this to happen later next year 2024. We continue to deliver services to meet increased demand including promotion and provision of mental health projects to support beneficiaries and a women's only Coffee Morning support group with activities.

Key achievements during this year. From April 2023 to March 2024, we have maintained the number of people we are reaching, being fortunate to work with over 11,500 (multiple users 26,751) residents in Liverpool, with over 90% residing in Norris Green L11 and Sparrowhall L9. Our charity has benefited from emergency support funding and core funding support from Liverpool City Council, The Big Lottery Community Organisations Cost of Living Fund, Cobalt Housing, The Henry Smith Charity, LCVS and CCG (Community Commission Grant NHS), Feeding Liverpool, Merseyside Play Action Council (M PAC) and the HAF programme. This has enabled us to develop ourselves to reach out with more people than we expected this year since the charity became incorporated. Throughout the year we have delivered over 600 social, community sessions including training and activities as previously recorded. (This is without the numbers we would usually reach through the Community Carnival.)

Between July 2023 and March 2024 we had a direct involvement and lead in the Norris Green community. During this time we were able to continue to support and signpost residents to other agencies such as local housing associations, CAB etc., especially those who had been affected and suffered hardship due to the 'Cost of Living Crisis'. We were also able to continue food deliveries until May 2024 through various organisations such as Big Lottery, Community Organisations Cost of Living fund, Feeding Liverpool, LCVS and Liverpool City Council. We have supported over 386 adults and 540 children this year.

As part of our development strategies to address community needs, we raised funding through the CCG (Clinical Commissioning Grant Health & Wellbeing NHS Wellbeing Project) until June 2024. Further funding for this project has been sought from the Morgan Foundation to continue the project. This has been one of the most effective use of resources and we are overwhelmed by how positively this service has affected beneficiaries and community members across all areas of charity services. We have continued to run many community sessions to support mental health in our community, as well as delivery of our listening ear one-to-one service, continued letters of support for benefit cases, i.e. PIP, disability allowance, housing issues and a host of other areas, building on what we have developed in the previous year with known contacts of working with other agencies. There was

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also training available on Listening Ear to Mental Health to develop listening skills, one to one consultations, coping mechanisms and emotional resilience and many others.

Part of our social activities bringing people together to combat loneliness, and isolation has grown in the last year as people are wanting to get out more. There are double the figures.... and increasing. We were able to run subsidised 2 course meals weekly lunch clubs/community meals (900) with access to one a week for 10 months averaging 25 plus attendees a week, along with 40 coffee mornings, 3 Christmas meals (including one trip out of Liverpool), heavily subsidized with social bingo included. We also ran community trips. One of these trips was our very popular trip to Blackpool for families to see the lights. There were 152 people who enjoyed this trip. The Family Bingo again has seen a twofold increase in attendees with over 80 people (room limit) per session along with continuance of weekly Family Roller Discos every Friday, attendees reaching 120 per week. (This figure is capped by the sports centre) These sessions have been run by our volunteers for many years, as have many of our other activities.

The 3-day Santa Sleigh ride through Norris Green, which we managed alongside Liverpool City Council and local partners was welcomed back in early December 2023. Santa and helpers delivered over 4000 selection boxes across the streets of Norris Green. Nearly 7000 residents flocked to local roads, gardens and doorways and children and adults alike witnessed the spirit of Christmas.

Our after-school provision and out of school holiday clubs continue to flourish, operating from two centres which has maximum capacity attendance 4 days a week and made possible thanks to the HAF (Holiday Activities and Food programme) run in conjunction with Merseyside Play Action Council (MPAC) and Liverpool City Council. This fund enables us to ensure all our attendees receive free healthy meals, breakfast, lunch and snacks throughout those periods where applicable, taking part in physical and creative activities and signposting the families to other services that they may need to access. We run a full programme through every school holiday. We were also able to take children to a local panto in Liverpool One in partnership with Stephen Yip from KIND. The HAF funding enabled us to take children on residential and other activities that are difficult to fund. On average we are offering 180 eligible places each week through the school holidays for children and young people.

We continued to support our local TRAs (Tenants and Residents Associations) with funding support; Sparrowhall TRA ran their holiday playschemes throughout the school holidays and after school provision continues with the funding that they received through the HAF Programme and Cobalt Housing, along with Coffee Mornings and Christmas Dinner for Older People. SPRING (Scargreen Park Regeneration in Norris Green) continues to look at ways to improve Scargreen Park working in partnership with the children and projects like 'Clean Sweep' with Police and young people from our club who have been working with local Police litter picking and making hanging baskets. Also looking at session discussing knife crimes and self-defence.

Cuts have been made to budgets through Liverpool City Council but there are still some projects we were still be able manage with partners that previously had been funded by Liverpool City Council. The 'Uniform' grant came back this year so 5 Norris Green Schools including one extra now within the boundary received the uniform grants this time round.

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During the autumn and winter months we continued to offer a variety of Halloween activities to keep the community engaged and use community spaces during darker, colder days and evenings. Throughout October we delivered 285 Halloween activity and food packs for families facing hardship and isolation, hosted a Halloween themed Roller Disco and a Halloween party for 176 families with food and activities. We also worked alongside other groups re anti-social behaviour preventative projects during October and November. (Mischievous Night/Bonfire night)

December and the run up to Christmas/New Year is always a very busy period for the charity. We delivered over 215 food hampers to households facing food insecurity, financial hardship and isolation and, thanks to donations, and local charity 'Give a Child a Chance', this enabled us to deliver toys to families with children who could not afford to buy presents. We also provided pyjamas and necessities with food hampers and essentials through a local benefactor who has given these hampers for many years. With the Shoe Box appeal, we were overwhelmed by people's generosity and were able to give some boxes to other groups in the area. We organised Older Peoples Christmas Lunches, festive trips out, Christmas parties, The Men's Group (JAM) (Just Average Men) continues to meet each Monday and has increased its membership. They meet in the community centre engaging with other likeminded men offering quizzes, speakers, exercising, local trips and other ideas for its members.

It is so good to see community coming back from the challenge. The Cost-of-Living Crisis continues to affect the most vulnerable people in our community, and we are so grateful to have received funding from the Big Lottery 'Community Organisations Cost of Living Fund'. We would have been lost without

SPECIAL THANKS

The Norris Green Community Alliance would like to thank the following funders as well as partners and key community members who have contributed their time, funding, knowledge and skills that have been instrumental in our work this year. Thanks to Norris Green Ward Councillors, Merseyside Play Action Council (MPAC), Sutton Croft and Liverpool City Councillors, the delivery of the HAF (Holiday Activities and Food) Programme. The Henry Smith Charity for ongoing funding support for core costs and salaries, (we have just been awarded a further 3 years funding), Community Foundation Funding for Lancashire and Merseyside. LCVS & CCG (Clinical Commissioning Grant NHS) Norris Green Youth & Play Consortium (LCC) and Liverpool City Council LNF, Cobalt Housing and Torus Foundation for community funding for many of our projects this year. Smaller donations that have made a significant impact on our work 'The Charity Trust', Groundwork, Tesco Bags fund and our very loyal local volunteers and staff who worked with us this year and other small donations we received from the local community. It would be fair to say that without these funders and volunteers who we value so much supporting us we would not be able to manage our support in the community the way we do so THANK YOU ALL.

The Trustees of the NGCA would like to express their deepest and most sincere gratitude to the workers and volunteers of the NGCA coming out of the pandemic. They have worked tirelessly to ensure that our community received as normal a service as they could possibly provide during these uncertain times. They also ensured that those most in need received help in the form of hardship, advice, food etc. along with getting the community back into social activities and other support to

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help them post covid. We as a Board of Trustees have seen this first hand and have seen the impact on the community.

A message from the Chair of Norris Green Community Alliance Board.

This year has been busy as usual for everyone at the Norris Green Community Alliance. We had a change to the staffing in the office as our office manager started a new job, but the hard work and commitment of Denise and Miranda have ensured that the community services we provide were still provided to the highest standard.

In May we had local elections and 3 new Councillors were elected to represent Norris Green. Because all of the Councillors were new, they couldn't commit to funding for our annual carnival. Hopefully they will help fund some of the Christmas activities.

We still support and work in partnership with Sparrowhall though the boundary has changes, we are still providing after school clubs and summer holiday playschemes in all of our three clubs, Scargreen, Norris Green Youth Centre and Sparrowhall. We have been part of the HAF scheme again this year and it has proved to be very much needed in the clubs. We have been providing hot meals and snacks for the children and also providing food bags for some of the parents. For some of the children this is the only hot meal they will receive during the school holidays.

Our mental health coordinator, Sandra, has run quite a few courses throughout the year including bereavement counselling, mental health awareness, assertiveness courses and a listening ear service.

As Chair of the Board of Trustees I would like to take this opportunity on behalf of myself and the whole Board to thank our office staff, play staff, volunteers and partners for their hard work and dedication."

PLANS FOR THE FUTURE PERIODS

We continue to support our community in the best ways we can by ensuring our services, and will be working hard to increase our partners and referral agencies for the benefit of our community. We have been successful in being awarded a further 3 years funding from the Henry Smith Charity who have supported us tirelessly over the last 6 years. There are major changes as to how the Youth and Play Grant and Community Resources grant is to be changed into one grant going forward too. As we are very lucky to receive funds from both these grants it will be interesting in how these pans out. We have also received funds through the John Moore's Foundation next year to increase our admin support services and further funds from Feeding Liverpool. Hopefully this will give us a positive start to next year which will be quite challenging with the 'Cost of Living' crisis taking its toll on our community, new government and changes in budgets at LCC (being optimistic!). We are hoping that we receive these additional funds to enable us to continue working hard to ease the situation in our community. We are grateful for the further funds that will help support this. Whilst our community has shown great resilience in dealing with the challenges over the last 2 years we are hopeful that 2024-25 will bring just rewards for all and we hope we will all be in a better place.

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We have continued to reach out to most of the people we know and have worked with and welcome new users to engage in our activities and supporting those back into our activities. Attendance is extremely good. We have changed our directions constantly to identify, engage and accommodate more activities and projects that we feel are needed in the community and the gaps in delivery. This current year has again brought many new challenges. In the main challenges with hardship and poverty are affecting everyone and we are doing our very best to support people as much as we are able. We continue to see a rise in housing evictions, anti-social behaviour and unemployment which present further challenges. On the positive side we have maintained very close links with the local housing organisation Cobalt who are putting additional funds into the community to tackle some of these and giving further support for the community. Big shout out for all our volunteers without them we would not be able to operate on the same scale as we have their support never ceases to surprise us or diminishes.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Total income for the year was £196,375 (2023: 254,792) of which £184,343 (2022: €225,622) related to funding for projects upon which restrictions were placed.

Total expenditure in the year was £224,142 (2023: £267,941) leaving a deficit for the year of £27,767 (2023: deficit £13,149). At 31 March 2024 the charity's reserves stood at £22,499 (2023: £50,266) of which £17,874 (2023: £36,923) were restricted funds.

RESERVES POLICY

It is the policy to maintain unrestricted funds, which are free reserves, at a level to cover redundancy provisions and allow the charity to continue to run a reduced service of activities for two months should no further funding be received. At 31 March 2024 the unrestricted reserves did not meet this target and the trustees are aware that they must keep this in mind to maintain the reserves the charity needs established as free reserves.

STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES RESPONSIBILITIES

Company law requires the Directors to prepare financial statements for each financial period that give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company and of its income and expenditure for that period. In preparing those financial statements, the Directors are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the company will continue as a going concern;
- state whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departure disclosed and explained in the financial statements.

NORRIS GREEN COMMUNITY ALLIANCE (Limited by Guarantee)
TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT - CONTINUED

For the year ended 31 March 2024

The directors are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the company and to enable them to ensure that the financial accounts comply with the Companies Act 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD:



Eric Williams — Secretary



Date

REPORT OF THE INDEPENDENT EXAMINER TO THE MEMBERS OF NORRIS GREEN COMMUNITY ALLIANCE

I report on the accounts for the year ended 31 March 2024 set out on pages 12 to 22.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees 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 of the Charities Act 2011 (the Charities Act) and that an independent examination is required. It is my responsibility to:

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

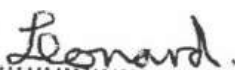
Basis of the independent examiner's report

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 the 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 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:

le which gives me reasonable cause to believe that, in any material respect, the requirements:

- a. to keep accounting records in accordance with section 386 and 387 of the Companies Act 2006; and
 - b. to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records, comply with the accounting requirements of section 394 and 395 of the Companies Act 2006 and with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities have not been met; or
2. to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed: ..  ..

Date: S 1 0 —zy-

Name: Stephen Leonard BA, FCCA
Counting for Communities Ltd

16 Holmwood Drive
Liverpool
L37 IPQ

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Signed:.....

Date:.....

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NORRIS GREEN COMMUNITY ALLIANCE (Limited by Guarantee)
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STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES (INCORPORATING AN INCOME AND EXPENDITURE
 ACCOUNT) For the Year Ended 31 March 2024

		2024	2024	2024	2023
		Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Total
		funds	funds	funds	funds
Note INCOMING RESOURCES				E	
Incoming & endowments from:					
Donations and legacies	2	7,331	6,789	14,120	19,263
Charitable activities	3				
Other trading activities	4	37	177,554	,591	235,227
Investments	5	664		664	302
Total income		12,032	184,343	196,375	254,792
		19,250	204,892	224,142	267,941
		(7,218)	(20,549)	(27,767)	(13,149)
		(1,500)	1,500		
		(8,718)	(19,049)	(27,767)	(13,149)
		13,343	36,923	50,266	63,415
RESOURCES EXPENDED					
Raising funds					
Charitable activities	6	19,250	204,892	224,142	267,941
Total expenditure	7				

NORRIS GREEN COMMUNITY ALLIANCE (Limited by Guarantee)
Net income I (expenditure) for the year before transfers
Transfer between funds
Net income/(expenditure) for the year

RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS

Total funds brought forward	13				
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		4,625	17,874	22,499	50,266

There are no recognised gains or losses other than the net movement in funds for the above two financial years. All incoming resources and resources expended derive from continuing activities.

The notes form part of these financial statements

BALANCE SHEET

At 31 March 2024

Registration Number: 06853661

		2024	2024	2024	2023
		Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Total
		funds	funds	funds	funds
Note FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible assets	9	100		100	120
CURRENT ASSETS					
Debtors	10				,427
Cash at bank and in hand	11	5,655	17,874	23,529	49,693
		<u>5,655</u>	<u>17,874</u>	<u>23,529</u>	<u>51,120</u>
CREDITORS					
Amounts falling due within one year	12	(1,130)	-	(1,130)	(974)
		<u>4,525</u>	<u>17,874</u>	<u>22,399</u>	<u>50,146</u>
NET CURRENT ASSETS					
		<u>4,625</u>	<u>17,874</u>	<u>22,499</u>	<u>50,266</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES					
		<u>4,625</u>	<u>17,874</u>	<u>22,499</u>	<u>50,266</u>

NORRIS GREEN COMMUNITY ALLIANCE (Limited by Guarantee)
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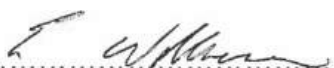
FUNDS	13		
Unrestricted funds		4,625	13,343
Restricted funds		17,874	36,923
TOTAL FUNDS		22,499	50,266

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

Directors' responsibilities

- The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its accounts for the year in question in accordance with section 476 of the Companies Act 2006
- The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 with respect to accounting records and preparation of accounts.
- These accounts have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies' regime.

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


Eric Williams — Secretary

7-10-24
Date

The notes form part of these financial statements

NORRIS GREEN COMMUNITY ALLIANCE (Limited by Guarantee)
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
For the Year Ended 31 March 2024

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES Accounting convention

The financial statements of the charity, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, have been prepared under the historical cost convention, the Charities Act 2011 and 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice for Charities' 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 2019). The charity has taken advantage of the disclosure exemption in preparing these financial statements, as permitted by FRS 102, the requirements of Section 7 Statement of Cash Flows.

The accounts are prepared in sterling, which is the functional currency of the charity and monetary amounts in these financial statements are rounded to the nearest E.

Going Concern

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

Income

Incoming recognition

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

Incoming Resources with Related Expenditure

Where incoming resources have related expenditure (as with fundraising or contract income) the incoming resources and related expenditure are reported gross in the SoFA

Grants and Donations

Grants and donations are only included in the SoFA when the Charity has unconditional entitlement to the resource.

Contractual Income and Performance Related Grants

This is only included in the SoFA once the related goods or services have been delivered.

Volunteer Help

The value of any voluntary help received is not included in the accounts.

Investment Income

This is included in the accounts when receivable.

Expenditure and Liabilities

Liability Recognition

Liabilities are recognised as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure.

NORRIS GREEN COMMUNITY ALLIANCE (Limited by Guarantee)

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - CONTINUED

For the Year Ended 31 March 2024

Governance Costs

These include costs of the preparation and examination of statutory accounts, the costs of trustee meetings and cost of any legal advice to trustees on governance or constitutional matters.

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Grants and Performance Conditions

Where the charity gives a grant with conditions for its payment being a specific level of service output to be provided, such grants are only recognised in the SoFA once the recipient of the grant has provided the specific service or output.

Grants payable without Performance Conditions

These are only recognised in the accounts when a commitment has been made and there are no conditions to be met relating to the grant which remain in the control of the charity

Fixed assets and depreciation

Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates in order to write off each asset over its estimated useful life. The following rates and methods are used:

Equipment	15% reducing balance
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All equipment, fixtures and fittings with an original cost of less than £800, are written off in the year in which the expenditure was incurred on the basis that due to the nature of the company's activities, there is no expectation that the cost of the assets will be recovered in the way of future revenues.

Financial instruments

The charity only has financial assets and financial liabilities of a kind that qualify as basic financial instruments. Basic financial instruments are initially recognised at transaction value and subsequently measured at their settlement value with the exception of bank loans which are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

Taxation

The charity is exempt from corporation tax on its charitable activities and is not registered for VAT. As a registered charity the company benefits from rates relief.

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.

		2024	2024	2024	2023
Note		Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Total
NORRIS GREEN COMMUNITY ALLIANCE (Limited by Guarantee)					
2	Donations and legacies				
	Donations	3,848	5,429	9,277	19,263
	For the Year Ended 31 March 2024	250		250	
	West Derby Waste Land				
	Liverpool Council	3,233	1,360		
		7,331	6,789	14,120	19,263
		2024	2024	2024	2023
		Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Total
3	Charitable activities				
	Awards for AI		2,500	2,500	
	Big Help		400	400	
	Charities Trust		-	-	3,140
	Citizen Advice		5,928	5,928	23,115
	Cobalt Housing	4,037	4,790	8,827	29,570
	Community Foundation				635
	Groundwork			-	1,000
	Henry Smith Charity		16,500	16,500	33,000
	LCVS	-	16,864	16,864	38,227
	Liverpool Council - City Activities	-	1,125	1,125	14,565
	Liverpool Council - Carnival		4,500	4,500	8,750
	Liverpool Council - Feeding Liverpool			-	6,000
	Liverpool Council -LNF Fund		2,500	2,500	
	Liverpool Council - Community Resource		6,000	6,000	12,000
	Liverpool Council - Youth & Play		9,700	9,700	
	Lottery Cost Of Living Fund	-	34,239	34,239	
	MNF			-	6,447
	MPAC		26,663	26,663	10,828
	Sutton Croft	-	35,995	35,995	39,030
	Torus Foundation			-	1,500
	Your Edge		6,600	6,600	
	Norris Green Youth & Play Consortium		3,250	3,250	7,420
		4,037	177,554	181,591	235,227
		3,233	1,360	4,593	-
		2024	2024	2024	2023
		Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Total
4	Other trading activities				
		-	-	-	-
	Other trading activities	-	-	-	-

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AL STATEMENTS - CONTINUED For the Year Ended 31 March 2024

		1,100	1,100	950
		1,100	1,100	950
Note		Direct Charitable Expenditure	Support & Governance Costs	Total
7	Analysis of expenditure			
	Total expenditure in 2024	183,154	40,988	224,142
	Total expenditure in 2023	225,422	42,519	267,941
	Analysed as follows:	2024	2023	
	Direct Charitable Expenditure			
	Activities & sessional staff	84,529	96,034	
	Contribution to Hardship Funds	1,656	6,723	
	DBS		56	
	Donations to schools for uniforms	2,500		
	Consumables/equipment for activities	3,873	6,761	
	Fareshare	975	2,302	
	Food	21,983	36,347	
	Travel	1,034	3,486	
	Volunteer expenses	9,033	5,664	
	Wages	57,571	68,049	

	183,154	225,422
Support & Governance Costs		950
Governance Costs	1,100	242
Bank charges	226	22
Depreciation	20	730
Insurance Payroll fee printing	762	750
Rent, rates & room hire	656	2,617
Sundry	2,845	12,701
Telephone & Internet	13,476	389
Training	884	1
Wages	1,553	,239
	275	196
	19,191	22,683
	40,988	42,519

76,762	90,732
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year)	2023
2024 4	5
2	2
6	7
2024	2023

8 Staff Costs and Employees

Wages and salaries	76,608	89,721
Social security costs		455
Pension	154	556

No employee earned E60,000 or more during the year (nor the previous

The average number of employees during the year was .

Charitable activities

Administration

9 Fixed Assets

	Equipment	Total
Cost		
At 1 April 2023	720	720
Disposals		
Additions		
	-	-
A 31 March 2024	720	720
Depreciation		
At 1 April 2023	600	600
On Disposals		
Charge for year	20	20
A 31 March 2024	620	620
Net Book Value		
A 31 March 2024	100	100
At 31 2023	120	120
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L STATEMENTS - CONTINUED For the Year Ended 31 March 2024

Donations						(1,500)	
Feeding Liverpool							
LCVS CCGMW							
Cobalt Housing							
Lottery Cost Of Living Fund	573	1				610	
	5,166	56,463	(57,512)				
Total Funds	-	38,343	(39,438)	1,500	405		
Balance at 31 March 2023			(585)	(595)			
Income		16,500	(21,708)				
March	5,208	12,000	(12,000)				
2023 / (Out)							
Resources	Expended	In					
2024							
£	£	£	£	£			1,658
13,343	12,032	(19,250)	(1,500)	4,625			
13,343	12,032	(19,250)	(1,500)	4,625	449	(3,695)	(754)
		(1,500)					
		2,752		1,177	(2,548)	754	2,135
		-		6,463	(6,463)		
		2,404		-	(2,389)		
		5,998		8,309	(12,057)		2,250
		9,198		12,389	(17,444)		4,143
		2,786		2,778	(3,616)		1
				24,290	(24,290)		,948
		36,923		184,343	(204,892)	1,500	17,874
				24,290	(24,290)		
		50,266		196,375	(224,142)	-	22,499

Note

14 Trustees' Remuneration and Benefits

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 31 March 2024 nor for the year ended 31 March 2023

15 Trustees' Expenses There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 31 March 2024 nor for the year ended 31 March 2023

16 Capital Commitments

The company had no capital commitments at 31 March 2024 (2023: None) either contracted for or authorised by the directors but not contracted for.

Accounts

Norris Green Community Alliance

(A COMPANY LIMITED BY GUARANTEE)

REGISTERED COMPANY NUMBER: 06853661 (England and Wales)

REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER: 1136867

**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AND
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023**

NORRIS GREEN COMMUNITY ALLIANCE (Limited by Guarantee)
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FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 March 2023

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**NORRIS GREEN COMMUNITY ALLIANCE (Limited by Guarantee)
CHARITY & COMPANY INFORMATION**

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATION DETAILS

Charity Name

Norris Green Community Alliance (Limited by Guarantee)

Registered Charity Number

1136867

Registered Company Number

06853661

Registered Office

Norris Green Community Alliance
Ellergreen Community Centre
Ellergreen Road
Liverpool
Merseyside
L11 2RY

Trustees

J Roberts – Chairperson
C Pettitt – (resigned 22 May 2023)
E Williams – Secretary
E Whiteside
D Roberts
J Healey (appointed 15 May 2023)

Bankers

Unity Trust Bank Plc
Nine Brindleyplace
Birmingham
B1 2HB

Independent Examiner

Counting for Communities Ltd
16 Holmwood Drive
Liverpool, L37 1PQ

NORRIS GREEN COMMUNITY ALLIANCE (Limited by Guarantee)
TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT
For the year ended 31 March 2023

The trustees, who are also directors of the charity for the purposes of the Companies Act 2006, present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2023.

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in note 1 to the accounts and comply with the Charities Act 2011 and the '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 2019)'.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Organisational Structure

Norris Green Community Alliance is a registered charity with The Charity Commission, Charity Number 1136867 and a registered Company Limited by Guarantee with Companies House, Company Number 06853661 on 20 March 2009.

The governing instruments under which it operates comprise the Memorandum and Articles of Association dated 20 March 2009 amended by special resolution registered with Companies House on 3 June 2010. In the event of the company being wound up members are required to contribute an amount not exceeding £10 each.

The trustees meet regularly and are responsible for the strategic direction and policy of the charitable company. Managers also attend these meetings but have no voting rights.

Risk Management

The trustees have reviewed the major risks to which the Charity is exposed. It regularly reviews the key financial information and has examined other operational and business risks which the Charity faces. It also confirms that there are established systems in place to mitigate significant risks and where necessary respond to them. Procedures are in place to ensure compliance with health and safety of staff, volunteers, service users and visitors to the premises.

PUBLIC BENEFIT

When planning and programming activities for the local residents of Norris Green, the Trustees of Norris Green Community Alliance are mindful of the Charity Commissions guidelines on Public Benefit.

OBJECTIVES AND AIMS

To empower and support the community of Norris Green in Liverpool in such a way that they are better able to: identify and help meet their needs, encourage the community to work together, putting on activities for those to participate and using activities to bring the community together. The projects include: intergenerational projects, play schemes, dance and drama, community events and training for volunteers.

ACHIEVEMENT AND PERFORMANCE

Norris Green Community Alliance has continued to adapt, diverse and support the Norris Green community post Covid, a year of great achievements and changes to our charity activities and services. This report gives a brief overview of some of the changes, achievements and overall performance. How we continue to maintain high quality services, delivery of a diverse activities to support our community and beneficiaries to help them meet the new challenges we have seen with the impact of the 'Cost of Living Crisis'. Giving support to the communities to help them maintain their day to day lives and move forward in a positive manner for the benefit of themselves and their communities. All our services and new services have been welcomed by our community this is reflected in the various additional projects and activities we have undertaken which has seen a massive impact of our organisation and staff time which has seen us employ 2 additional staff.

This year has been very demanding for our staff and we have seen a big increase in need and demand for services and activities. Key areas highlighted with most need included mental health, food and financial hardship, access to children's activities. We have been working in partnership with 'Feeding Liverpool' through the household support scheme originally supporting adults age over 65 but extending to support families with weekly food parcels, community meals, further support for utilities, energy tops working with Energy project Plus. We continue to issue Food Bank Vouchers and additional foods from our weekly Fare Share (additional foods and bread, pastries, vegetables). Weekly food deliveries are in the region of 465 households, with over 800 community meals and offer of weekly surplus foods stuff to anyone who needs this. We have also issued 212 energy top ups. We are very thankful to have staff and committed volunteers in place to continue to deliver the food stuff, community interest activities to support and develop the ward and individuals.

We were able to hold our Norris Green Community Carnival, the first in 2 years, and were able to conduct our community consultations on our charity's services and reassessing community needs to ensure we understood how to help tackle local concerns and issues. An amazing number of people attended on the day of 4500, nearly double the attendees from pre covid days of 2500. An opportunity for ourselves, other providers and community groups to take part in community consultations and variation of delivery of projects on the ground. Our charity made the decision to increase capacity for service delivery to meet increased availability and due to demand we have expanded the prevention of mental health projects to support beneficiaries (including Mum's and Tots) and a women's only Coffee Morning support group with activities.

During this year, from April 2022 to March 2023, we have increased the number past pre Covid records and have been fortunate to work with over 12,500 (multiple users 26,151) residents in Liverpool, with over 85% residing in Norris Green L11 and Sparrowhall L9. Our charity has benefitted from emergency support funding and core funding support from Liverpool City Council, Cobalt Housing, The Henry Smith Charity, LCVS and CCG (Community Commission Grant NHS), Feeding Liverpool, and the HAF programme. This has enabled us to develop ourselves to work with more people than previous years since the charity became incorporated. Throughout the year we have delivered over 550 social, community sessions including training and activities as previous recorded.

Key achievements we would like to mention include our direct involvement and lead in the community consultation and delivering of emergency hardship support to over 465 households over 9 months across Norris Green from July 2022 to March 2023. We were able to continue food deliveries and additional specific support to our residents until March 2023 through the Feeding Liverpool Grant, LCVS and Liverpool City Council by targeting people who had become unemployed and suffered health problems related from Covid. We continue to manage the Mayor's Hardship Fund via our Ward Councillors up to March 2023 and Cobalt Housing's Hardship fund (January 2023) to ensure our residents get the best support and advice that we can give them, signposting them to other agencies and networks and have supported over 223 adults and 432 children this year. As Cobalt Housing staff return to normal working hours their Welfare Benefits helpline pick up the majority of this for their tenants, they are also issuing Food Bank vouchers too.

This is part of the continuation of partners in the creation of a multi-agency Debt and Hardship network for residents of Norris Green that was created by local agencies and partners to fill in gaps in core emergency services for financial and debt advice, support and referral processes.

As part of our development strategies to address community needs, on the back of our previous funding from Public Health England and LCVS Mental Health Fund, we raised further funding through the CCG (Clinical Commissioning Grant (Health & Wellbeing NHS Wellbeing Project) for a further 18 months until March 2024 through this grant we were able to extend the employment of our a Mental Health Co-ordinator for a further 18 months. This has been one of the most effective use of resources and we are overwhelmed by how positively this service has affected beneficiaries and community members across all areas of charity services. From this funding we have continued to run many community sessions to support mental health in our community. As well as delivery of our listening ear one-to-one service, continued letters of support for benefit cases, housing issues and a host of other areas we had developed in the previous year with known contacts of working with other agencies. We have offered training on Listening to Mental Health to develop listening skills, coping mechanisms and emotional resilience as well as a course on Introduction to Counselling to enable others to help and support families and friends. We have also hosted 2 Bereavement Awareness courses one here at Ellergreen (our main base) and one at the Bridge Community Centre nearby.

Part of our social activities bringing people together to combat loneliness and isolation has grown in the last year as people wanting to get out more, double figures increasing, we were able to run subsidised 2 course meals, weekly lunch clubs/community meals (800) with access to one a week for 10 months averaging 20 plus attendees a week, along with 40 coffee mornings, one each biweekly, along with the Queens Jubilee celebrations in June 2022 for older people and families and 2 Christmas meals heavily subsidized with social bingo included. Attendance has increase across these two activities. 3 community trips, one very popular to Blackpool lights for families where 172 people were accommodated. The Family Bingo again has seen a twofold increase in attendees, along with weekly Family Roller Discos every Friday. This has seen attendances double, so we expanded from one session into two sessions to accommodate this increase and both sessions are capped at 120 attendees.

Unfortunately, we were unable to run our usual intergenerational project in the winter of 2022 due to funds not being available. The 3-day Santa Sleigh ride through Norris Green which we managed alongside Liverpool City Council and local partners previously was welcomed back in early December 2022. Santa and helpers delivered over 4000 selection boxes across the streets of Norris Green and Sparrowhall. Nearly 7000 residents flocked to local roads, gardens and doorways and children and adults alike witnessed the spirit of Christmas again.

Our Afterschool provision and out of school holiday clubs continue to flourish now operating from two centres which has maximum capacity attendance 4 days a week and made possible thanks to the HAF (Holiday Activities and Food programme) run in conjunction with Merseyside Play Action Council (MPAC) and Liverpool City Council. This fund enables us to ensure all our attendees receive free healthy meals, breakfast, lunch and snacks throughout those periods where applicable, taking part in physical and creative activities and signposting the families to other services that they need to access. We run a full programme through every school holiday. We were also able to take children to a local panto in St Helens through funding from Liverpool City Councillor's former MNF Fund. The HAF funding enabled us to take children on residential and other activities that are normally difficult to fund. On average we are offering 100 eligible places a week through the school holidays for children and young people. We continued to support our local TRAs (Tenants and Residents Associations) with funding support; Sparrowhall TRA ran their holiday play schemes throughout the school holidays and after school provision continues with funding they received through the HAF Programme and Cobalt Housing, along with Coffee Mornings, Christmas Dinner for Older People, SPRING continues to look at ways to improve Scargreen Park working in partnership with the children and young people club who have been working with local Police litter picking and making hanging baskets.

Boundary changes and new members becoming local ward councillors will have a massive impact on the area of delivery as Sparrow Hall will move to a different ward. All Norris Green Councillors are being replaced by newcomers and funding is being frozen for at least for 6 months, although continuation funding has been rolled over to 2024 which is good news for the Alliance. There are still some projects we will still be able manage with partners but it will be interesting to see what the changes will bring. Along with budget cuts as well this will have a negative impact on what groups will be able to provide that have previously been funded by Liverpool City Council. The 'Uniform' grant has been solely missed as they have not been able to fund this.

During the autumn and winter months we were able to put on a variety of Halloween activities to keep the community engaged and using community spaces during darker and colder days and evenings. Throughout October we delivered 271 Halloween activity and food packs for families in need facing isolation, hosted a Halloween themed Roller Disco for 171 families with food and activities and we worked alongside other groups re anti-social behaviour preventative projects during October and November (Mischievous Night/Bonfire night).

The period up to Christmas and December is always a very busy period for the charity. We delivered over 180 food hampers to households facing food insecurity, financial hardship and isolation and thanks to donations from local groups we were able to deliver toys to families with children who could not buy presents. We also provided pyjamas and necessities with food hampers and essentials. This was a fantastic project working alongside Liverpool City Council, St Teresa's Primary School and St Philomena's Primary School. We organised Older Peoples Christmas Lunch, Festive trips out, Christmas Parties, The Men's Group (JAM) Just Average Men that we started pre Covid meets weekly on a Monday morning and has increased its membership. They meet in the community centre and have joined partnership with Sports England to facilitate exercise activities and next year are looking at other ideas for its members.

It so good to see so many of the people in our community getting involved and it feels like things will improve to how they were pre covid. More people value their community and want to get involved and help others; our volunteers have increased through the many who helped up through the pandemic.

SPECIAL THANKS

The Norris Green Community Alliance would like to thank the following funders as well as partners and key community members who have contributed their time, funding, knowledge and skills that have been instrumental in our work this year. Thanks to Norris Green Ward Councillors, Merseyside Play Action Council (MPAC), Sutton Croft and Liverpool City Councillor's, the delivery of the HAF (Holiday Activities and Food) Programme. The Henry Smith Charity for ongoing funding support for core costs and salaries. Community Foundation Funding for Lancashire and Merseyside. LCVS & CCG (Clinical Commissioning Grant NHS) Norris Green Youth & Play Consortium (LCC) and Liverpool City Council MNF, Cobalt Housing and Torus Foundation for community funding for many of our projects this year. Smaller donations that have made a significant impact on our work 'The Charity Trust', Groundwork, Tesco Bags funds, John Lewis Community Fund, Liverpool County League (football), Local Tenant and Resident Associations: Sparrowhall TRA, and our very loyal local volunteers and staff who worked with us this year and other small donations we received from the local community.

It would be fair to say that without these funders and volunteers who we value so much supporting us we would not be able to manage our support in the community the way we do so THANK YOU ALL.

The Trustees of the NGCA would like to express their deepest and most sincere gratitude to the workers and volunteers of the NGCA coming out of the pandemic. They have worked tirelessly to ensure that our community received as normal a service as they could possibly provide during these uncertain times. They also ensured that those most in need received help in the form of hardship, advice, food etc. along with getting the community back into social activities and other support to help them post covid. We as a Board of Trustees have seen this first hand and have seen the impact on the community.

CHAIR'S COMMENTS

This year has been busy as usual for everyone at the Norris Green Community Alliance. We had a change to the staffing in the office as our office manager started a new job, but the hard work and commitment of Denise and Miranda have ensured that the community services we provide were still provided to the highest standard.

In May we had local elections and 3 new Councillors were elected to represent Norris Green. Because all of the Councillors were new, they couldn't commit to funding for our annual carnival. Hopefully they will help fund some of the Christmas activities.

Even though the political boundaries have now included Sparrowhall, as part of Fazakerley, we are still providing after school clubs and summer holiday play schemes in all of our three clubs, Scargreen, Norris Green Youth Centre and Sparrowhall. We have been part of the HAF scheme again this year and it has proved to be very much needed in the clubs. We have been providing hot meals and snacks for the children and also providing food bags for some of the parents. For some of the children this is the only hot meal they will receive during the school holidays.

Our mental health coordinator, Sandra, has run quite a few courses throughout the year including bereavement counselling, mental health awareness, assertiveness courses and a listening ear service.

As Chair of the Board of Trustees I would like to take this opportunity on behalf of myself and the whole Board to thank our office staff, play staff, volunteers and partners for their hard work and dedication."

PLANS FOR THE FUTURE PERIODS

We have great plans for the charity and its services and will be working hard to increase our partners, and referral agencies for the benefit of our community. The recovery out of lockdown has been quite challenging and the 'Cost of Living' is really taking its toll on our community in a completely unexpected way. For most people whilst we are working hard to ease the situation we still feel that there are further funds that will help support this. Whilst our community has shown great resilience in dealing with the challenges over the last 2 years we are hopeful that 2023-24 will bring just rewards for all and we hope we will all be in a better place.

We have continued to reach out to most of the people we had worked with during the pandemic welcoming new users to engage in our activities and supporting those back into our activities. Attendance is extremely good. We have changed our directions slightly to accommodate more activities and projects that we feel are needed in the community and the gaps in delivery. This current year has brought many new challenges. We are facing many challenges with hardship and poverty and we are doing our very best to support people, which is very hard. We continue to see a rise in housing evictions, anti-social behaviour and unemployment which present further challenges. But on the positive side we have maintained very close links with the local housing organisation Cobalt who are putting additional funds into the community to tackle some of these and giving further support for the community. Big shout out for all our volunteers without them we would not be able to operate on the same scale as we have their support never ceases to surprise us or diminishes.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Total income for the year was £253,365 (2022: £191,942) of which £225,622 (2022: £165,830) related to funding for projects upon which restrictions were placed.

Total expenditure in the year was £267,941 (2022: £187,590) leaving a deficit for the year of £14,576 (2022: surplus £4,352). At 31 March 2023 the charity's reserves stood at £48,839 (2022: £63,415) of which £36,923 (2022: £52,962) were restricted funds.

RESERVES POLICY

It is the policy to maintain unrestricted funds, which are free reserves, at a level to cover redundancy provisions and allow the charity to continue to run a reduced service of activities for two months should no further funding be received. At 31 March 2023 the unrestricted reserves did meet this target and the trustees are aware that they must keep this in mind to maintain the reserves the charity needs established as free reserves.

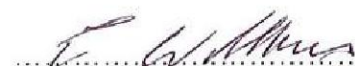
STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES RESPONSIBILITIES

Company law requires the Directors to prepare financial statements for each financial period that give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company and of its income and expenditure for that period. In preparing those financial statements, the Directors are required to:

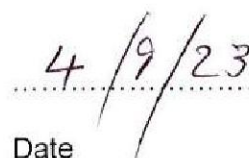
- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the company will continue as a going concern;
- state whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departure disclosed and explained in the financial statements.

The directors are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the company and to enable them to ensure that the financial accounts comply with the Companies Act 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD:

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Eric Williams – Secretary

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Date

NORRIS GREEN COMMUNITY ALLIANCE (Limited by Guarantee)
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
(INCORPORATING AN INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT)
For the Year Ended 31 March 2023

	Note	2023 Unrestricted funds £	2023 Restricted funds £	2023 Total funds £	2022 Total funds £
INCOMING RESOURCES					
Incoming & endowments from:					
Donations and legacies	2	5,788	13,475	19,263	7,046
Charitable activities	3	23,080	212,147	235,227	184,877
Other trading activities	4	-	-	-	-
Investments	5	302	-	302	19
Total income		29,170	225,622	254,792	191,942
RESOURCES EXPENDED					
Raising funds		-	-	-	-
Charitable activities	6	26,326	241,615	267,941	187,590
Total expenditure	7	26,326	241,615	267,941	187,590
Net income / (expenditure) for the year before transfers		2,844	(15,993)	(13,149)	4,352
Transfer between funds		46	(46)	-	-
Net income/(expenditure) for the year		2,890	(16,039)	(13,149)	4,352
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Total funds brought forward	13	10,453	52,962	63,415	59,063
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		13,343	36,923	50,266	63,415

There are no recognised gains or losses other than the net movement in funds for the above two financial years. All incoming resources and resources expended derive from continuing activities.

The notes form part of these financial statements

REPORT OF THE INDEPENDENT EXAMINER TO THE MEMBERS OF NORRIS GREEN COMMUNITY ALLIANCE

I report on the accounts for the year ended 31 March 2023 set out on pages 12 to 22.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees 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 of the Charities Act 2011 (the Charities Act) and that an independent examination is required.

It is my responsibility to:

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

Basis of the 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 the 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:

1. which gives me reasonable cause to believe that, in any material respect, the requirements:
 - a. to keep accounting records in accordance with section 386 and 387 of the Companies Act 2006; and
 - b. to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records, comply with the accounting requirements of section 394 and 395 of the Companies Act 2006 and with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities have not been met; or
2. to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed: Stephen Leonard

Date: 6-9-23

Name: Stephen Leonard BA, FCCA
Counting for Communities Ltd
16 Holmwood Drive
Liverpool
L37 1PQ

NORRIS GREEN COMMUNITY ALLIANCE (Limited by Guarantee)
BALANCE SHEET
At 31 March 2023
Registration Number: 06853661

	Note	2023 Unrestricted funds £	2023 Restricted funds £	2023 Total funds £	2022 Total funds £
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible assets	9	120	-	120	142
CURRENT ASSETS					
Debtors	10	1,427	-	1,427	-
Cash at bank and in hand	11	12,770	36,923	49,693	67,971
		14,197	36,923	51,120	67,971
CREDITORS					
Amounts falling due within one year	12	(974)	-	(974)	(4,698)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		13,223	36,923	50,146	63,273
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		13,343	36,923	50,266	63,415
FUNDS					
	13				
Unrestricted funds				13,343	10,453
Restricted funds				36,923	52,962
TOTAL FUNDS				50,266	63,415

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

Directors' responsibilities

- The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its accounts for the year in question in accordance with section 476 of the Companies Act 2006
- The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 with respect to accounting records and preparation of accounts.
- These accounts have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies' regime.

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


Eric Williams – Secretary

4 9 23
Date

The notes form part of these financial statements

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Accounting convention

The financial statements of the charity, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, have been prepared under the historical cost convention, the Charities Act 2011 and 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice for Charities' 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 2019). The charity has taken advantage of the disclosure exemption in preparing these financial statements, as permitted by FRS 102, the requirements of Section 7 Statement of Cash Flows.

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

Going Concern

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

Income

Incoming recognition

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

Incoming Resources with Related Expenditure

Where incoming resources have related expenditure (as with fundraising or contract income) the incoming resources and related expenditure are reported gross in the SoFA

Grants and Donations

Grants and donations are only included in the SoFA when the Charity has unconditional entitlement to the resource.

Contractual Income and Performance Related Grants

This is only included in the SoFA once the related goods or services have been delivered.

Volunteer Help

The value of any voluntary help received is not included in the accounts.

Investment Income

This is included in the accounts when receivable.

Expenditure and Liabilities

Liability Recognition

Liabilities are recognised as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure.

Governance Costs

These include costs of the preparation and examination of statutory accounts, the costs of trustee meetings and cost of any legal advice to trustees on governance or constitutional matters.

Grants and Performance Conditions

Where the charity gives a grant with conditions for its payment being a specific level of service output to be provided, such grants are only recognised in the SoFA once the recipient of the grant has provided the specific service or output.

Grants payable without Performance Conditions

These are only recognised in the accounts when a commitment has been made and there are no conditions to be met relating to the grant which remain in the control of the charity

Fixed assets and depreciation

Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates in order to write off each asset over its estimated useful life. The following rates and methods are used:

Equipment - 15% reducing balance

All equipment, fixtures and fittings with an original cost of less than £800, are written off in the year in which the expenditure was incurred on the basis that due to the nature of the company's activities, there is no expectation that the cost of the assets will be recovered in the way of future revenues.

Financial instruments

The charity only has financial assets and financial liabilities of a kind that qualify as basic financial instruments. Basic financial instruments are initially recognised at transaction value and subsequently measured at their settlement value with the exception of bank loans which are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

Taxation

The charity is exempt from corporation tax on its charitable activities and is not registered for VAT. As a registered charity the company benefits from rates relief.

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.

NORRIS GREEN COMMUNITY ALLIANCE (Limited by Guarantee)
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - CONTINUED
For the Year Ended 31 March 2023

Note	2023 Unrestricted	2023 Restricted	2023 Total	2022 Total
	£	£	£	£
2 Donations and legacies				
Donations	5,788	13,475	19,263	5,587
North Liverpool Regeneration Co	-	-	-	750
HMRC JRS Grant	-	-	-	709
	<u>5,788</u>	<u>13,475</u>	<u>19,263</u>	<u>7,046</u>
	2023 Unrestricted	2023 Restricted	2023 Total	2022 Total
	£	£	£	£
3 Charitable activities				
Charities Trust	-	3,140	3,140	-
Citizen Advice	-	23,115	23,115	-
Cobalt Housing	5,790	23,780	29,570	10,498
Community Foundation	-	635	635	1,200
Groundwork	1,000	-	1,000	-
Hoare Trustees	-	-	-	25,705
Henry Smith Charity	-	33,000	33,000	33,000
LCVS	4,268	33,959	38,227	37,405
Liverpool Council - City Activities	5,772	8,793	14,565	13,867
Liverpool Council - Carnival	-	8,750	8,750	-
Liverpool Council - Feeding Liverpool	-	6,000	6,000	-
Liverpool Council - Mayor Hardship Fund	-	-	-	2,500
Liverpool Council - Community Resource	-	12,000	12,000	12,000
Liverpool Council - Mental Health	-	-	-	19,987
PH Holt Foundation	-	-	-	15,895
MNF	5,250	1,197	6,447	-
MPAC	-	10,828	10,828	1,600
Sutton Croft	-	39,030	39,030	-
The 64 Trust	-	-	-	5,100
Torus Foundation	1,000	500	1,500	400
Your Edge	-	-	-	2,860
Norris Green Youth & Play Consortium	-	7,420	7,420	2,860
	<u>23,080</u>	<u>212,147</u>	<u>235,227</u>	<u>184,877</u>
	2023 Unrestricted	2023 Restricted	2023 Total	2022 Total
	£	£	£	£
4 Other trading activities				
Other trading activities	-	-	-	-
	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>

NORRIS GREEN COMMUNITY ALLIANCE (Limited by Guarantee)
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - CONTINUED
For the Year Ended 31 March 2023

Note	2023 Unrestricted £	2023 Restricted £	2023 Total £	2022 Total £
5 Investments				
Bank interest receivable	302	-	302	19
	<u>302</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>302</u>	<u>19</u>
	2023 Unrestricted £	2023 Restricted £	2023 Total £	2022 Total £
6 Resources Expended				
Charitable activities				
Governance Costs - see below	950	-	950	900
Activities & sessional staff	10,183	85,851	96,034	41,999
Bank charges	179	63	242	178
Contribution to Hardship Funds	-	6,723	6,723	6,751
DBS	-	56	56	-
Depreciation	22	-	22	25
Donations to schools for uniforms	-	-	-	2,500
Consumables/equipment for activities	506	6,255	6,761	3,827
Fareshare	1,856	446	2,302	2,784
Food	1,336	35,011	36,347	21,094
Insurance	210	520	730	691
Payroll fee	-	750	750	520
Printing & stationery	1,066	1,551	2,617	2,523
Rent, rates & room hire	430	12,271	12,701	6,071
Sundry	228	161	389	641
Telephone & Internet	729	510	1,239	1,187
Training	120	76	196	-
Travel	2,002	1,484	3,486	2,458
Volunteer expenses	274	5,390	5,664	4,569
Wages	6,235	84,497	90,732	88,872
	<u>26,326</u>	<u>241,615</u>	<u>267,941</u>	<u>187,590</u>
Included in Governance costs				
Independent examiner's fees	950	-	950	900
	<u>950</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>950</u>	<u>900</u>

NORRIS GREEN COMMUNITY ALLIANCE (Limited by Guarantee)
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - CONTINUED
For the Year Ended 31 March 2023

Note	Direct Charitable Expenditure	Support & Governance Costs	Total
	£	£	£
7 Analysis of expenditure			
Total expenditure in 2023	225,422	42,519	267,941
Total expenditure in 2022	152,636	34,954	187,590
Analysed as follows:	2023	2022	
Direct Charitable Expenditure	£	£	
Activities & sessional staff	96,034	41,999	
Contribution to Hardship Funds	6,723	6,751	
DBS	56	-	
Donations to schools for uniforms	-	2,500	
Consumables/equipment for activities	6,761	3,827	
Fareshare	2,302	2,784	
Food	36,347	21,094	
Travel	3,486	2,458	
Volunteer expenses	5,664	4,569	
Wages	68,049	66,654	
	225,422	152,636	
Support & Governance Costs			
Governance Costs	950	900	
Bank charges	242	178	
Depreciation	22	25	
Insurance	730	691	
Payroll fee	750	520	
Printing	2,617	2,523	
Rent, rates & room hire	12,701	6,071	
Sundry	389	641	
Telephone & Internet	1,239	1,187	
Training	196	-	
Wages	22,683	22,218	
	42,519	34,954	

NORRIS GREEN COMMUNITY ALLIANCE (Limited by Guarantee)
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - CONTINUED
For the Year Ended 31 March 2023

Note	2023	2022
8 Staff Costs and Employees	£	£
Wages and salaries	89,721	87,486
Social security costs	455	811
Pension	556	575
	<u>90,732</u>	<u>88,872</u>

No employee earned £60,000 or more during the year (nor the previous year)

The average number of employees during the year was :	2023	2022
Charitable activities	5	5
Administration	2	2
	<u>7</u>	<u>7</u>

9 Fixed Assets

	Equipment	Total
	£	£
Cost		
At 1 April 2022	720	720
Disposals	-	-
Additions	-	-
At 31 March 2023	<u>720</u>	<u>720</u>

Depreciation

At 1 April 2022	578	578
On Disposals	-	-
Charge for year	22	22
At 31 March 2023	<u>600</u>	<u>600</u>

Net Book Value

At 31 March 2023	120	120
At 31 March 2022	142	142

NORRIS GREEN COMMUNITY ALLIANCE (Limited by Guarantee)
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - CONTINUED
For the Year Ended 31 March 2023

Note	2023	2022
10 Debtors	£	£
Prepayments & accrued income	<u>1,427</u>	<u>-</u>
	<u>1,427</u>	<u>-</u>
	2023	2022
11 Cash at bank and in hand	£	£
Current Account	20,297	37,877
Deposit Account	<u>29,396</u>	<u>30,094</u>
	<u>49,693</u>	<u>67,971</u>
	2023	2022
12 Creditors : amounts falling due within one year	£	£
Creditors : amounts falling due within one year	-	3,683
Accruals	<u>974</u>	<u>1,015</u>
	<u>974</u>	<u>4,698</u>

NORRIS GREEN COMMUNITY ALLIANCE (Limited by Guarantee)
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - CONTINUED
For the Year Ended 31 March 2023

Note	Balance at				Balance at
13 Movement in Funds	31 March	Incoming	Resources	Transfers	31 March
	2022	Resources	Expended	In / (Out)	2023
	£	£	£	£	£
Unrestricted Funds					
General Fund	10,453	29,170	(26,326)	46	13,343
	<u>10,453</u>	<u>29,170</u>	<u>(26,326)</u>	<u>46</u>	<u>13,343</u>
Restricted Funds					
<u>Play</u>					
Donations	3,581	12,865	(15,873)	-	573
Your Edge	24	7,528	(7,510)	(42)	-
MPAC	(350)	65,026	(59,510)	-	5,166
Norris Green Youth & Play Consortium	(13)	21,595	(21,582)	-	-
Cobalt Housing - Mini Movers	-	2,200	(1,020)	-	1,180
<u>Other</u>					
Henry Smith Charity	10,331	33,000	(38,123)	-	5,208
Liverpool Council - Community Resource Grant	-	12,000	(12,000)	-	-
Liverpool Council - Active Norris Green Partnership	1,658	-	-	-	1,658
Liverpool Council - Mayor's Hardship Fund	3,224	-	(3,224)	-	-
Liverpool Council - Hardship	-	6,201	(3,449)	-	2,752
Liverpool Council - Carnival	-	13,750	(13,750)	-	-
The 64 Trust	2,500	-	(2,500)	-	-
Ellergreen YP Project	3,230	-	(3,230)	-	-
Donations	5,185	383	(3,164)	-	2,404
Feeding Liverpool	-	31,245	(25,247)	-	5,998
LCVS CCGMW	-	12,389	(3,191)	-	9,198
Cobalt Housing	2,377	1,038	(629)	-	2,786
Liverpool Council - Mental Health	21,215	6,402	(27,613)	(4)	-
	<u>52,962</u>	<u>225,622</u>	<u>(241,615)</u>	<u>(46)</u>	<u>36,923</u>
Total Funds	<u>63,415</u>	<u>254,792</u>	<u>(267,941)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>50,266</u>

Note

14 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

15 Trustees' Expenses

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

16 Capital Commitments

The company had no capital commitments at 31 March 2023 (2022: None) either contracted for or authorised by the directors but not contracted for.

Accounts

Norris Green Community Alliance

(A COMPANY LIMITED BY GUARANTEE)

REGISTERED COMPANY NUMBER: 06853661 (England and Wales)

REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER: 1136867

**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AND
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022**

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REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATION DETAILS

Charity Name

Norris Green Community Alliance (Limited by Guarantee)

Registered Charity Number

1136867

Registered Company Number

06853661

Registered Office

Norris Green Community Alliance
Ellergreen Community Centre
Ellergreen Road
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NORRIS GREEN COMMUNITY ALLIANCE (Limited by Guarantee)
TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT
For the year ended 31 March 2022

The trustees, who are also directors of the charity for the purposes of the Companies Act 2006, present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2022.

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in note 1 to the accounts and comply with the Charities Act 2011 and the '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 2019)'.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Organisational Structure

Norris Green Community Alliance is a registered charity with The Charity Commission, Charity Number 1136867 and a registered Company Limited by Guarantee with Companies House, Company Number 06853661 on 20 March 2009.

The governing instruments under which it operates comprise the Memorandum and Articles of Association dated 20 March 2009 amended by special resolution registered with Companies House on 3 June 2010. In the event of the company being wound up members are required to contribute an amount not exceeding £10 each.

The trustees meet regularly and are responsible for the strategic direction and policy of the charitable company. Managers also attend these meetings but have no voting rights.

Risk Management

The trustees have reviewed the major risks to which the Charity is exposed. It regularly reviews the key financial information and has examined other operational and business risks which the Charity faces. It also confirms that there are established systems in place to mitigate significant risks and where necessary respond to them. Procedures are in place to ensure compliance with health and safety of staff, volunteers, service users and visitors to the premises.

PUBLIC BENEFIT

When planning and programming activities for the local residents of Norris Green, the Trustees of Norris Green Community Alliance are mindful of the Charity Commissions guidelines on Public Benefit.

NORRIS GREEN COMMUNITY ALLIANCE (Limited by Guarantee)
TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT - CONTINUED
For the year ended 31 March 2022

OBJECTIVES AND AIMS

To empower and support the community of Norris Green in Liverpool in such a way that they are better able to: identify and help meet their needs, encourage the community to work together, putting on activities for those to participate and using activities to bring the community together. The projects include: intergenerational projects, play schemes, dance and drama, community events and training for volunteers.

ACHIEVEMENT AND PERFORMANCE

Coming out of lockdown restrictions post Covid-19, 2021-22 has been a year of great achievements and changes to our charity activities and services. This report gives a brief overview of some of the changes, achievements and overall performance. How we adapted to maintain high quality services, delivery of activities to support our community and beneficiaries to help them embrace moving forward in a positive manner for the benefit of themselves and their communities.

We started the year off by conducting community consultations on our charity's services and reassessing community needs to ensure we understood how to help tackle local concerns and issues. From consultation and delivery of projects on the ground, our charity made the decision to increase capacity for service delivery to meet increased demand and expanded into early intervention mental health projects to support beneficiaries.

This year has been very demanding for our staff and we have seen a big increase in need and demand of services and activities. Key areas highlighted with most need included mental health, food and financial hardship. We have been very thankful to have staff and committed volunteers in place to continue to deliver community interest activities to develop the ward and individuals.

During this year, from April 2021 to March 2022, we have been fortunate to work with over 7500 residents in Liverpool, with over 76% residing in Norris Green L11 and Sparrowhall L9. Our charity has benefitted from emergency support funding and core funding support from Liverpool City Council, Cobalt Housing, The Henry Smith Charity, LCVS, Community Foundation for Lancashire and Merseyside and PH Holt Foundation. This has enabled us to develop ourselves to work with more people than previous years since the charity became incorporated.

Key achievements we would like to mention include our direct involvement and lead in the community consultation and delivering of emergency hardship support to over 294 households over 6 months across Norris Green from April 2021 to September 2021. We were able to extend our food deliveries and additional specific support to our residents until July 2021 through a Grant via LCVS and Liverpool City Council by targeting people who had become unemployed and suffered health problems due to Covid. We continue to manage the Mayor's Hardship Fund via our Ward Councillors and Cobalt Housing's Hardship fund to ensure our residents get the best support and advice that we can give them, signposting them to other agencies and networks and have supported over 200 adults and 341 children this year.

From February 2022 we joined partners in the creation of a multi-agency Debt and Hardship network for residents of Norris Green that was created by local agencies and partners to fill in gaps in core emergency services for financial and debt advice, support, and referral processes.

As part of our development strategies to address community needs, we reached out to Public Health England and LCVS Mental Health Fund and secured over £21,000 in November 2021 for early intervention mental health support. Through this grant we were able to employ a Mental Health Co-ordinator on a 12-month contract. This has been one of the most effective use of resources and we were overwhelmed by how positively this service has affected beneficiaries and community members across all areas of charity services.

From this funding we have run many community sessions to support mental health in our community as well as deliver our listening ear one-to-one service, letters of support for benefit cases, housing issues and a host of other areas we had not previously touch on before. We have offered training on Listening to Mental Health to develop listening skills, coping mechanisms, and emotional resilience as well as a course on Introduction to Counselling to enable others to help and support families and friends. We are looking at facilitating Bereavement training later in the year.

As part of our getting back to 'normal' activities our Older Peoples Lunch Clubs and Coffee mornings started back up in April 2021 as people were desperate to get out and meet up with others as many had been living in isolation with lack of contact with friends and family. 3 months after starting we increased this to offer a Lunch Club every week over two separate accessible venues enabling the attendees to access a 2-3 course meal, heavily subsidized with social bingo included. Attendance has increase across these two activities. The Family Bingo again has seen a twofold increase in attendees, along with weekly Family Roller Discos every Friday. This has seen attendance double so we expanded from one session into two sessions to accommodate the increase in demand.

Other noteworthy activities include our annual Winter Intergeneration Project running from October 2021 to January 2022 working with older and younger generations and offering a variety of fun filled weekly sessions to improve relations and break down barriers to community integration and stigmas. The 3-day Santa Sleigh ride through Norris Green which we managed alongside Liverpool City Council and local partners in early December 2021. Santa and helpers delivered over 3000 selection boxes across the streets of Norris Green and Sparrowhall. Nearly 6000 residents flocked to local roads, gardens and doorways and children and adults alike witnessed the spirit of Christmas again.

Our Afterschool provision and out of school holiday clubs continue to flourish now operating from two centres which has max capacity attendance 4 days a week and possible thanks to the HAF Programme we receive enables us to ensure all our children receive free healthy meals, breakfast and snacks throughout those periods, take part in physical and creative activities and signposting the families to other services that they need to access. We were also able to take them to Christmas panto, bowling, residential and many other activities that the families would not be able to afford.

We have continued to support our local TRA (Tenants and Residents Associations) with funding support; Sparrowhall TRA reopened their Playscheme in July 2021 and after school provision in September 2021 with funding they received through the HAF Programme and Cobalt Housing, along with Coffee Mornings, Christmas Dinner for Older People, Trip York. Ellergreen TRA put on Christmas activities and coach trips, SPRING have set a Gardening Club and Bootcamp exercise club, walking club lots of new activities coming out of Covid with funding and Admin support via NGCA. This has enabled a wide range of activities accessible from different parts of the community

During the autumn and winter months we were able to put-on a variety of Halloween activities to keep the community engaged and using community spaces during darker and colder days and evenings.

Throughout October we delivered 82 Halloween activity and food packs for families in need facing isolation, hosted a Halloween themed Roller Disco complete with best dancers and costumes which worked alongside other anti-social behaviour preventative projects during October and November.

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For the year ended 31 March 2022

The run up to Christmas, December was a very busy period for the charity. We delivered over 100 food hampers to households facing food insecurity, financial hardship and isolation and thanks to donations of toys from Cash4Kids we were able to deliver toys to families with children who could not buy presents. We also provided pyjamas and necessities with food hampers. We also delivered over £1000's worth of vouchers for food and essentials. This was a fantastic project working alongside Liverpool City Council, St Teresa's Primary School, and St Philomena's Primary School. We organised Older Peoples Christmas Lunch, Festive trips out, Christmas Parties, Pantomime in Liverpool One and The Everyman Theatre.

We supported a local Norris Green Choir to start via Zoom during Covid which had flourished with additional funding from 64 Trust to allow face to face sessions for adults who were grateful to perform in the community and at Ellergreen Community Centre. The Men's Group we started pre Covid now meets weekly on a Monday morning and has increased its membership, has started developing a garden area outside of the community centre and looking at other ideas for its members.

It so good to see so many of the people in our community getting involved and it feels like things will improve on how they were pre Covid. More people value their community and want to get involved and help others, our volunteers have increased through the many who helped up through the pandemic.

SPECIAL THANKS

The Norris Green Community Alliance would like to thank the following funders as well as partners and key community members who have contributed their time, funding, knowledge and skills that have been instrumental in our work this year. Thanks to Norris Green Ward Councillors, LCVS and Merseyside Play Action Council (MPAC) in the delivery of the HAF (Holiday Activities and Food) Programme. The Henry Smith Charity for ongoing funding support for core costs and salaries. PH Holt Foundation, Community Funding for Lancashire and Merseyside, The Julia & Hans Raising Trust for Youth & Play recovery donation. LCVS Recovery grant, Liverpool Get Active Partnership, Your Edge for Play, Norris Green Youth & Play Consortium (LCC) and Cobalt Housing and Torus Foundation for community funding for many of our projects this year. Local Tenant and Resident Associations: Sparrowhall TRA, Ellergreen TRA, SPRING, and local volunteers and staff who worked with us this year and the small donations we received from the local community. Other mentions include Torus Foundation and Mayoral Neighbourhood Fund who funded local community project Men's Group and Gardening and Mental health projects.

It would be fair to say that without these funders supporting us we would not be able to manage our support in the community the way we do so THANK YOU ALL

The Trustees of the NGCA would like to express their deepest and most sincere gratitude to the workers and volunteers of the NGCA coming out of the pandemic. They have worked tirelessly to ensure that our community received as normal a service as they

could possibly provide during these uncertain times. They also ensured that those most in need received help in the form of hardship, advice, food etc. along with getting the community back into social activities and other support to help them post Covid. We, as a Board of Trustees, have seen this first hand and have seen the impact on the community.

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TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT - CONTINUED
For the year ended 31 March 2022

CHAIR'S COMMENTS

The past 3 years have been a challenge to say the least. Now we are finally coming to some sort of normality again it is clear to see the impact that the Norris Green Community Alliance has had on our communities.

The work that Denise, Tricia and Miranda have done to provide a seamless service has been second to none. Apart from ensuring families have had food provision, utilities, and support, they have also ensured that we have provided after school provision and school holiday clubs, hardship provision and I.T. help for people accessing housing needs, benefit enquiries, online shopping etc., lunch clubs, family bingo as well as a very successful carnival.

Funding is always a contentious issue, but we have been lucky this year to access funding to employ a Mental Health Co-ordinator, Sandra Scott. During the past few months Sandra has been busy providing training and group /one to one counselling. Her workload is growing daily thus proving the need for this very important service. The NGCA has also taken under its umbrella and secured funding for an established men's group (JAM-Just average men). This group centres on men's mental health and well-being. The group was struggling for membership but with the support of the NGCA they now have a healthy membership of 13. As Chair of the Board of Trustees I would like to take this opportunity on behalf of myself and the whole Board to thank our office staff, play staff, volunteers and partners for their hard work and dedication.

PLANS FOR THE FUTURE PERIODS

We have great plans for the charity and its services and will be working hard to increase our partners, and referral agencies for the benefit of our community. The recovery out of lockdown taking part has been quite overwhelming, for most people they are keen to get back and get involved in their community, for some others they still feel unsure, lack confidence and confused.

We have tried to reach out to most of the people we have worked with during the pandemic welcoming new users to engage in our activities and supporting those back into our activities. Attendance is very good, a year on from Lockdown people are now having an interest in doing lots of things which is quite remarkable. We are experiencing more users for our services and are applying for funding for a Family Support Worker to complement our Mental Health Worker. We are facing many challenges with hardship and poverty which we are doing our very best to support people, which is very hard. We have seen a rise in housing evictions, anti-social behaviour and unemployment which present several new challenges. But on the positive side we have very close links with the local housing organisation Cobalt who are putting additional funds into the community to tackle some of these.

Plans for additional training for our Volunteers, who we would be lost without, large community projects such as the Norris Green Carnival taking place in August 2022 and the Firework and Bonfire event to bring the community and partners together.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Total income for the year was £191,942 (2021: £191,042) of which £165,830 (2021: £189,116) related to funding for projects upon which restrictions were placed.

Total expenditure in the year was £187,590 (2021: £162,190) leaving a surplus for the year of £4,352 (2021: surplus £28,852). At 31 March 2022 the charity's reserves stood at £60,185 (2021: £55,833) of which £50,011 (2021: £50,011) were restricted funds.

NORRIS GREEN COMMUNITY ALLIANCE (Limited by Guarantee) TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT - CONTINUED For the year ended 31 March 2022

RESERVES POLICY

It is the policy to maintain unrestricted funds, which are free reserves, at a level to cover redundancy provisions and allow the charity to continue to run a reduced service of activities for two months should no further funding be received. At 31 March 2022 the unrestricted reserves did meet this target and the trustees are aware that they must keep this in mind to maintain the reserves the charity needs established as free reserves.

STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES RESPONSIBILITIES

Company law requires the Directors to prepare financial statements for each financial period that give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company and of its income and expenditure for that period. In preparing those financial statements, the Directors are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the company will continue as a going concern;
- state whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departure disclosed and explained in the financial statements.

The directors are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the company and to enable them to ensure that the financial accounts comply with the Companies Act 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD:

REPORT OF THE INDEPENDENT EXAMINER TO THE MEMBERS OF NORRIS GREEN COMMUNITY ALLIANCE

I report on the accounts for the year ended 31 March 2022 set out on pages 10 to 20.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees 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 of the Charities Act 2011 (the Charities Act) and that an independent examination is required. It is my responsibility to:

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

Basis of the 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 the 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:

1. which gives me reasonable cause to believe that, in any material respect, the requirements:
 - a. to keep accounting records in accordance with section 386 and 387 of the Companies Act 2006; and
 - b. to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records, comply with the accounting requirements of section 394 and 395 of the Companies Act 2006 and with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charitieshave not been met; or
2. to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed:

Date:

Name: Stephen Leonard BA, FCCA
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NORRIS GREEN COMMUNITY ALLIANCE (Limited by Guarantee)
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
(INCORPORATING AN INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT)
For the Year Ended 31 March 2022

	Note	2022 Unrestricted funds £	2022 Restricted funds £	2022 Total funds £	2021 Total funds £
INCOMING RESOURCES					
Incoming & endowments from:					
Donations and legacies	2	2,606	4,440	7,046	18,213
Charitable activities	3	23,487	161,390	184,877	172,803
Other trading activities	4	-	-	-	-
Investments	5	19	-	19	26
Total income		26,112	165,830	191,942	191,042
RESOURCES EXPENDED					
Raising funds		-	-	-	-
Charitable activities	6	24,711	162,879	187,590	162,190
Total expenditure	7	24,711	162,879	187,590	162,190
Net income / (expenditure) for the year before transfers		1,401	2,951	4,352	28,852
Transfer between funds		-	-	-	-
Net income/(expenditure) for the year		1,401	2,951	4,352	28,852
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Total funds brought forward	13	9,052	50,011	59,063	30,211
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		10,453	52,962	63,415	59,063

There are no recognised gains or losses other than the net movement in funds for the above two financial years. All incoming resources and resources expended derive from continuing activities.

The notes form part of these financial statements

NORRIS GREEN COMMUNITY ALLIANCE (Limited by Guarantee)
BALANCE SHEET
At 31 March 2022
Registration Number: 06853661

	Note	2022 Unrestricted funds £	2022 Restricted funds £	2022 Total funds £	2021 Total funds £
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible assets	9	142	-	142	167
CURRENT ASSETS					
Debtors	10	-	-	-	-
Cash at bank and in hand	11	<u>15,009</u>	<u>52,962</u>	<u>67,971</u>	<u>59,781</u>
		15,009	52,962	67,971	59,781
CREDITORS					
Amounts falling due within one year	12	(4,698)	-	(4,698)	(885)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		<u>10,311</u>	<u>52,962</u>	<u>63,273</u>	<u>58,896</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		<u>10,453</u>	<u>52,962</u>	<u>63,415</u>	<u>59,063</u>
FUNDS	13				
Unrestricted funds				10,453	9,052
Restricted funds				<u>52,962</u>	<u>50,011</u>
TOTAL FUNDS				<u>63,415</u>	<u>59,063</u>

For the year ending 31 March 2022 the company was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

Directors' responsibilities

- The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its accounts for the year in question in accordance with section 476 of the Companies Act 2006
- The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 with respect to accounting records and preparation of accounts.
- These accounts have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies' regime.

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

.....
Eric Williams – Secretary

.....
Date

The notes form part of these financial statements

NORRIS GREEN COMMUNITY ALLIANCE (Limited by Guarantee)
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
For the Year Ended 31 March 2022

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Accounting convention

The financial statements of the charity, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, have been prepared under the historical cost convention, the Charities Act 2011 and 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice for Charities' 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 2019). The charity has taken advantage of the disclosure exemption in preparing these financial statements, as permitted by FRS 102, the requirements of Section 7 Statement of Cash Flows.

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

Going Concern

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

Income

Incoming recognition

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

Incoming Resources with Related Expenditure

Where incoming resources have related expenditure (as with fundraising or contract income) the incoming resources and related expenditure are reported gross in the SoFA

Grants and Donations

Grants and donations are only included in the SoFA when the Charity has unconditional entitlement to the resource.

Contractual Income and Performance Related Grants

This is only included in the SoFA once the related goods or services have been delivered.

Volunteer Help

The value of any voluntary help received is not included in the accounts.

Investment Income

This is included in the accounts when receivable.

Expenditure and Liabilities

Liability Recognition

Liabilities are recognised as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure.

Governance Costs

These include costs of the preparation and examination of statutory accounts, the costs of trustee meetings and cost of any legal advice to trustees on governance or constitutional matters.

NORRIS GREEN COMMUNITY ALLIANCE (Limited by Guarantee) NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - CONTINUED For the Year Ended 31 March 2022

Grants and Performance Conditions

Where the charity gives a grant with conditions for its payment being a specific level of service output to be provided, such grants are only recognised in the SoFA once the recipient of the grant has provided the specific service or output.

Grants payable without Performance Conditions

These are only recognised in the accounts when a commitment has been made and there are no conditions to be met relating to the grant which remain in the control of the charity

Fixed assets and depreciation

Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates in order to write off each asset over its estimated useful life. The following rates and methods are used:

Equipment - 15% reducing balance

All equipment, fixtures and fittings with an original cost of less than £600, are written off in the year in which the expenditure was incurred on the basis that due to the nature of the company's activities, there is no expectation that the cost of the assets will be recovered in the way of future revenues.

Financial instruments

The charity only has financial assets and financial liabilities of a kind that qualify as basic financial instruments. Basic financial instruments are initially recognised at transaction value and subsequently measured at their settlement value with the exception of bank loans which are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

Taxation

The charity is exempt from corporation tax on its charitable activities and is not registered for VAT. As a registered charity the company benefits from rates relief.

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.

NORRIS GREEN COMMUNITY ALLIANCE (Limited by Guarantee)
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - CONTINUED
For the Year Ended 31 March 2022

Note	2022	2022	2022	2021
	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Total
2 Donations and legacies	£	£	£	£
Donations	2,606	2,981	5,587	4,267
North Liverpool Regeneration Co	-	750	750	3,165
HMRC JRS Grant	-	709	709	10,781
	<u>2,606</u>	<u>4,440</u>	<u>7,046</u>	<u>18,213</u>
3 Charitable activities	2022	2022	2022	2021
	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Total
	£	£	£	£
BBC Children in Need	-	-	-	32,676
Cobalt Housing	1,900	8,598	10,498	5,813
Community Foundation Lancs	1,200	-	1,200	5,195
Covid Lottery fund	-	-	-	40,181
Hoare Trustees	-	25,705	25,705	-
Henry Smith Charity	-	33,000	33,000	16,500
LCVS	1,000	36,405	37,405	1,500
Liverpool Council - City Activities	9,867	4,000	13,867	18,033
Liverpool Council - Mayor Hardship Fund	-	2,500	2,500	2,500
Liverpool Council - Community Resource	-	12,000	12,000	12,000
Liverpool Council - Covid	-	19,987	19,987	11,649
PH Holt Foundation	8,420	7,475	15,895	2,460
MPAC	-	1,600	1,600	7,576
Skelton Fund	-	-	-	1,000
Sports Alive	-	-	-	2,430
Steve Morgan Foundation	-	-	-	5,000
The 64 Trust	1,100	4,000	5,100	-
Torus Foundation	-	400	400	1,000
Your Edge	-	2,860	2,860	2,430
Norris Green Youth & Play Consortium	-	2,860	2,860	4,860
	<u>23,487</u>	<u>161,390</u>	<u>184,877</u>	<u>172,803</u>
4 Other trading activities	2022	2022	2022	2021
	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Total
	£	£	£	£
Other trading activities	-	-	-	-
	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Note	2022	2022	2022	2021
	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Total
5 Investments	£	£	£	£
Bank interest receivable	19	-	19	26
	<u>19</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>19</u>	<u>26</u>

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	2022	2022	2022	2021
	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Total
	£	£	£	£
5 Investments				
Bank interest receivable	19	-	19	26
	<u>19</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>19</u>	<u>26</u>
	2022	2022	2022	2021
	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Total
	£	£	£	£
Note				
6 Resources Expended				
Charitable activities				
Governance Costs - see below	900	-	900	800
Activities & sessional staff	6,947	35,052	41,999	21,647
Bank charges	132	46	178	172
Contribution to Hardship Funds	1,351	5,400	6,751	8,452
DBS	-	-	-	724
Depreciation	25	-	25	29
Donations to schools for uniforms	-	2,500	2,500	2,500
Equipment	154	3,673	3,827	5,217
Fareshare	-	2,784	2,784	1,706
Food	2,117	18,977	21,094	24,743
Insurance	-	691	691	682
Payroll fee	-	520	520	515
Printing & stationery	208	2,315	2,523	2,330
Rent, rates & room hire	387	5,684	6,071	3,817
Sundry	331	310	641	522
Telephone & Internet	-	1,187	1,187	1,011
Training	-	-	-	-
Travel	320	2,138	2,458	1,652
Volunteer expenses	597	3,972	4,569	3,295
Wages	11,242	77,630	88,872	82,376
	<u>24,711</u>	<u>162,879</u>	<u>187,590</u>	<u>162,190</u>
Included in Governance costs				
Independent examiner's fees	900	-	900	800
	<u>900</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>900</u>	<u>800</u>

Note	Direct Charitable Expenditure	Support & Governance Costs	Total
	£	£	£
7 Analysis of expenditure			
Total expenditure in 2022	152,636	34,954	187,590
Total expenditure in 2021	131,718	30,472	162,190
Analysed as follows:	2022	2021	
Direct Charitable Expenditure	£	£	
Activities & sessional staff	41,999	21,647	
Contribution to Hardship Funds	6,751	8,452	
DBS	-	724	
Donations to schools for uniforms	2,500	2,500	
Equipment	3,827	5,217	
Fareshare	2,784	1,706	
Food	21,094	24,743	
Travel	2,458	1,652	
Volunteer expenses	4,569	3,295	
Wages	66,654	61,782	
	152,636	131,718	
Support & Governance Costs			
Governance Costs	900	800	
Bank charges	178	172	
Depreciation	25	29	
Insurance	691	682	
Payroll fee	520	515	
Printing	2,523	2,330	
Rent, rates & room hire	6,071	3,817	
Sundry	641	522	
Telephone & Internet	1,187	1,011	
Training	-	-	
Wages	22,218	20,594	
	34,954	30,472	

Note	2022	2021
	£	£
8 Staff Costs and Employees		
Wages and salaries	87,486	81,842
Social security costs	811	94
Pension	575	440
	88,872	82,376
No employee earned £60,000 or more during the year (nor the previous year)		
The average number of employees during the year was :	2022	2021
Charitable activities	5	5
Administration	2	2
	7	7

9 Fixed Assets

	Equipment £	Total £
Cost		
At 1 April 2021	720	720
Disposals	-	-
Additions	-	-
At 31 March 2022	720	720
Depreciation		
At 1 April 2021	553	553
On Disposals	-	-
Charge for year	25	25
At 31 March 2022	578	578
Net Book Value		
At 31 March 2022	142	142
At 31 March 2021	167	167

Note	2022	2021
10 Debtors	£	£
Prepayments & accrued income	-	-
	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
	2022	2021
11 Cash at bank and in hand	£	£
Current Account	37,877	35,485
Deposit Account	30,094	24,296
	<u>67,971</u>	<u>59,781</u>
	2022	2021
12 Creditors : amounts falling due within one year	£	£
Creditors : amounts falling due within one year	3,683	-
Accruals	1,015	885
	<u>4,698</u>	<u>885</u>

Note		Balance at				Balance at
13	Movement in Funds	31 March	Incoming	Resources	Transfers	31 March
		2021	Resources	Expended	In / (Out)	2022
		£	£	£	£	£
	Unrestricted Funds					
	General Fund	9,052	26,112	(24,711)	-	10,453
		<u>9,052</u>	<u>26,112</u>	<u>(24,711)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>10,453</u>
	Restricted Funds					
	<u>HMRC IRS Grant</u>	-	709	(709)	-	-
	<u>Play</u>					
	Donations	4,740	2,981	(4,140)	-	3,581
	Your Edge	2,430	2,860	(5,266)	-	24
	MPAC	1,800	1,600	(3,750)	-	(350)
	Norris Green Youth & Play Consortium	3,063	2,860	(5,936)	-	(13)
	Liverpool Council	-	4,000	(4,000)	-	-
	Cobalt Housing	-	4,500	(4,500)	-	-
	Hoare Trustees	-	25,705	(25,705)	-	-
	LCVS VRU	-	36,405	(36,405)	-	-
	PH Holt Foundation	-	7,475	(7,475)	-	-
	<u>Other</u>					
	Henry Smith Charity	16,531	33,000	(39,200)	-	10,331
	Liverpool Council - Community Resource Grant	-	12,000	(12,000)	-	-
	Liverpool Council - Active Norris Green Partnership	2,563	-	(905)	-	1,658
	Liverpool Council - Mayor's Hardship Fund	5,620	2,500	(4,896)	-	3,224
	The 64 Trust	-	4,000	(1,500)	-	2,500
	Ellergreen YP Project	3,230	-	-	-	3,230
	Donations	5,185	-	-	-	5,185
	<u>Covid Fund</u>					
	Cobalt Housing	1,263	4,098	(2,984)	-	2,377
	Liverpool City Council	3,586	19,987	(2,358)	-	21,215
	Torus Foundation	-	400	(400)	-	-
	North Liverpool Regeneration Co	-	750	(750)	-	-
		<u>50,011</u>	<u>165,830</u>	<u>(162,879)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>52,962</u>
	Total Funds	<u>59,063</u>	<u>191,942</u>	<u>(187,590)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>63,415</u>

NORRIS GREEN COMMUNITY ALLIANCE (Limited by Guarantee)
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14 Trustees' Remuneration and Benefits

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 31 March 2022 nor for the year ended 31 March 2021

15 Trustees' Expenses

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 31 March 2022 nor for the year ended 31 March 2021

16 Capital Commitments

The company had no capital commitments at 31 March 2022 (2021: None) either contracted for or authorised by the directors but not contracted for.

Accounts

Norris Green Community Alliance

(A COMPANY LIMITED BY GUARANTEE)

REGISTERED COMPANY NUMBER: 06853661 (England and Wales)

REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER: 1136867

**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AND
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021**

NORRIS GREEN COMMUNITY ALLIANCE (Limited by Guarantee)
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**NORRIS GREEN COMMUNITY ALLIANCE (Limited by Guarantee)
CHARITY & COMPANY INFORMATION**

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATION DETAILS

Charity Name

Norris Green Community Alliance (Limited by Guarantee)

Registered Charity Number

1136867

Registered Company Number

06853661

Registered Office

Norris Green Community Alliance
Ellergreen Community Centre
Ellergreen Road
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J Roberts – Chairperson
C Pettitt – Treasurer
E Williams – Secretary
F Cooke
E Whiteside
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NORRIS GREEN COMMUNITY ALLIANCE (Limited by Guarantee)
TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT
For the year ended 31 March 2021

The trustees, who are also directors of the charity for the purposes of the Companies Act 2006, present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2021.

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in note 1 to the accounts and comply with the Charities Act 2011 and the '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 2019)'.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Organisational Structure

Norris Green Community Alliance is a registered charity with The Charity Commission, Charity Number 1136867 and a registered Company Limited by Guarantee with Companies House, Company Number 06853661 on 20 March 2009.

The governing instruments under which it operates comprise the Memorandum and Articles of Association dated 20 March 2009 amended by special resolution registered with Companies House on 3 June 2010. In the event of the company being wound up members are required to contribute an amount not exceeding £10 each.

The trustees meet regularly and are responsible for the strategic direction and policy of the charitable company. Managers also attend these meetings but have no voting rights.

Risk Management

The trustees have reviewed the major risks to which the Charity is exposed. It regularly reviews the key financial information and has examined other operational and business risks which the Charity faces. It also confirms that there are established systems in place to mitigate significant risks and where necessary respond to them. Procedures are in place to ensure compliance with health and safety of staff, volunteers, service users and visitors to the premises.

PUBLIC BENEFIT

When planning and programming activities for the local residents of Norris Green, the Trustees of Norris Green Community Alliance are mindful of the Charity Commissions guidelines on Public Benefit.

OBJECTIVES AND AIMS

To empower and support the community of Norris Green in Liverpool in such a way that they are better able to: identify and help meet their needs, encourage the community to work together, putting on activities for those to participate and using activities to bring the community together. The projects include: intergenerational projects, play schemes, dance and drama, community events and training for volunteers.

ACHIEVEMENT AND PERFORMANCE

In April 2020 our country was in the throes of the Covid-19 Pandemic something that was totally unexpected and for which we were badly prepared for. Getting to grips with the best way forward in our community, an official Covid19 Croxteth & Norris Green Consortium was set up to support our communities working with the Local Ward Councillors, Liverpool City Council and LCVS. Norris Green Community Alliance was asked to take the lead in Norris Green due our previous workings in the community and the knowledge we have of our community. The main focus was in getting food stuffs to people during the first period of total lock down especially families, vulnerable children and adults including older citizens. A Food Hub was set up, our Play staffs were seconded over and we met up each week over 2 days and prepared up to 150 bags of food stuff and vegetables that were delivered to Norris Green and Sparrowhall residents, with the support of Cobalt Housing, volunteer drivers through until the end of July 2020. We received extra food from Fareshare, Feeding Liverpool Together Liverpool, MPAC (Merseyside Play Action Council) and additional funds were made available to support organisations operating across Liverpool. These funds went towards supporting people through hardship and other financial implications from the pandemic. Many people lost their jobs, layoffs, zero contracts; people just didn't know where to go for help it was chaos, but we were really able to reach so many people to support them in so many different ways. We delivered craft packs to our children on our database along with fruit and health packs.

As Cobalt housing staff were working from home and overloaded with people telephoning we took over managing their Hardship Fund as well.

We have continued to manage the Mayors Hardship Fund via our Ward Councillors and Liverpool City Council made available additional funds through the Covid-19 Emergency Fund.

Throughout the Lockdown my staff have been visiting the families, children and older people always making sure they had everything they needed and having a chat so they weren't forgotten about. We used Zoom activities to fill the gaps through exercising, dance, arts and crafts, coffee mornings etc. Come August 2020 we were able to offer summer playscheme at Scargreen Recreation with plenty of outdoor spaces for our children to attend safely working within the government guidelines and this had a profound effect on our children and families who had been suffering so much. We were also able to continue with our after school play provision for vulnerable children too. We continued to support our families and adults in need with food bags as well.

We were able to do some Halloween 'Spooky' walks towards the end of October for children and families using the outdoor space at Scargreen Recreation Ground.

In the run up to Christmas the Alliance joined partners in setting up the 'Santa Sleigh and his Elves' delivering Christmas Selection Boxes across Norris Green and Sparrowhall distributing 3000 selection boxes over three days/nights.

The Alliance again working in partnership with schools, churches and other community groups set up the preparation of Christmas Hampers, Toys and Pyjama's. Donations from Liverpool City Council, Keith Houghton, KIND and Radio City Cash for Kids ensured that toys essentials were distributed throughout the Community. 120 meat and food hampers were prepared and delivered along with over 70 pairs pyjamas and toys to children and families in need.

NORRIS GREEN COMMUNITY ALLIANCE (Limited by Guarantee)
TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT - CONTINUED
For the year ended 31 March 2021

We also joined forces with 'The Voice' (Liam Moore) to set up an intergenerational Choir in the lead up to Christmas. This was successful and we carried this on until the beginning of March 2021 with plans to revive this in the summer when we can sing outside!

During the second Lock Down unfortunately we had to stop a lot of our activities and concentrate on supporting people in the community. We continued to pack and deliver food parcels and fruit. Over 120 art and craft packs and food were supplied from MPAC to cover the February 2021 Half Term, we continued to make the most of Zoom communications again. Finally since March 2021 we have been moving slowly out of Lockdown and our children have come back to our play provision.

After school had started back on the 8 March 2021 with Easter Playscheme following we have been working with very small groups of vulnerable people and we are started a gardening group at Scargreen Recreation. We had been meeting up with groups outside exploring new activities that can take place as we come out of Lock Down.

SPECIAL THANKS

We would like to thank Liverpool City Council CRG, The Mayors Hardship Fund, the Big Lottery Corona Virus Community Support Fund, BBC Children In Need, The Henry Smith Charity, Community Foundation for Merseyside – LCR Cares Covid Support Fund, The Steve Morgan Emergency Fund, PH Holt Emergency Fund, Liverpool Youth & Play Partnership, Your Edge, Cobalt Housing, Torus Housing, United Way, the Skeleton Charity and Merseyside Play Action Council. Without these benefactors we would not have been able to function. These funds enabled the Alliance's office to remain open with the generous support from the staff throughout the Pandemic and help our community. A big thank you to our community who have donated food stuffs to us over the last 14 months, the Lingmell Football Team, Broadway Fruit and Veg shop and the Lingmell Pub House and many others other who just dropped a bag into our office!

CHAIR'S COMMENTS

Denise, Tricia and Miranda have kept the office working as near to normal as guidelines have permitted. There have also been joint working ventures with other organisations to provide an enhanced service were possible. The NGCA are highly respected in the community and by their peers, and often have taken the lead in projects. They have gone above and beyond what would normally be expected and have had a positive impact on the lives of everyone they have helped.

I personally am very proud to be associated with the NGCA, and would like to add my personal thanks to our office workers, play workers and many volunteers who have unselfishly worked tirelessly over the past 14 months.

PLANS FOR THE FUTURE PERIODS

As we start the slow recovery out of Lock Down we remain optimistic that things will start returning to some recognised form of previously. We have started at looking to rebuild activities out of doors which have been a god send in keeping people involved and mentally engaged. Also our Lunch Clubs that our Older people have missed so much without contact with each other along with social Bingo, Coffee mornings and so on. Our Play provision is expanding and we hope to open in different venues in the coming year. We will continue to support our families through hardship and fare share, introduce new activities such as Men only groups and Women too.

The Trustees of the NGCA would like to express their deepest and most sincere gratitude to the workers and volunteers of the NGCA during the pandemic. They have worked tirelessly to ensure that our community has received as normal a service as they could possibly provide during these uncertain times. Apart from organising Halloween and Christmas events, (all socially distanced and within Government guidelines of course) they also ensured that those most in need received help in the form of hardship, advice, food etc. We, as a Board of Trustees, have seen this first hand and have seen the impact on the community. We have been kept informed at every stage and have occasionally participated.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Total income for the year was £191,042 (2020: £166,823) of which £189,116 (2020: £158,760) related to funding for projects upon which restrictions were placed.

Total expenditure in the year was £162,190 (2020: £163,085) leaving a surplus for the year of £28,852 (2020: surplus £3,738). At 31 March 2021 the charity's reserves stood at £59,063 (2020: £30,211) of which £50,011 (2020: £20,958) were restricted funds.

RESERVES POLICY

It is the policy to maintain unrestricted funds, which are free reserves, at a level to cover redundancy provisions and allow the charity to continue to run a reduced service of activities for two months should no further funding be received. At 31 March 2021 the unrestricted reserves did meet this target and the trustees are aware that they must keep this in mind to maintain the reserves the charity needs established as free reserves.

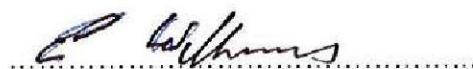
STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES RESPONSIBILITIES

Company law requires the Directors to prepare financial statements for each financial period that give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company and of its income and expenditure for that period. In preparing those financial statements, the Directors are required to:

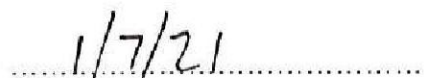
- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the company will continue as a going concern;
- state whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departure disclosed and explained in the financial statements.

The directors are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the company and to enable them to ensure that the financial accounts comply with the Companies Act 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD:



Eric Williams – Secretary



Date

REPORT OF THE INDEPENDENT EXAMINER TO THE MEMBERS OF NORRIS GREEN COMMUNITY ALLIANCE

I report on the accounts for the year ended 31 March 2021 set out on pages 10 to 20.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees 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 of the Charities Act 2011 (the Charities Act) and that an independent examination is required.

It is my responsibility to:

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

Basis of the 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 the 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:

1. which gives me reasonable cause to believe that, in any material respect, the requirements:
 - a. to keep accounting records in accordance with section 386 and 387 of the Companies Act 2006; and
 - b. to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records, comply with the accounting requirements of section 394 and 395 of the Companies Act 2006 and with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities have not been met; or
2. to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed: *S. Leonard*

Date: *20-7-21*

Name: Stephen Leonard BA, FCCA
Counting for Communities Ltd
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Liverpool
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NORRIS GREEN COMMUNITY ALLIANCE (Limited by Guarantee)
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
(INCORPORATING AN INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT)
For the Year Ended 31 March 2021

	Note	2021 Unrestricted funds £	2021 Restricted funds £	2021 Total funds £	2020 Total funds £
INCOMING RESOURCES					
Incoming & endowments from:					
Donations and legacies	2	1,900	16,313	18,213	13,229
Charitable activities	3	-	172,803	172,803	153,506
Other trading activities	4	-	-	-	-
Investments	5	26	-	26	88
Total income		1,926	189,116	191,042	166,823
RESOURCES EXPENDED					
Raising funds		-	-	-	-
Charitable activities	6	2,237	159,953	162,190	163,085
Total expenditure	7	2,237	159,953	162,190	163,085
Net income / (expenditure) for the year before transfers		(311)	29,163	28,852	3,738
Transfer between funds		110	(110)	-	-
Net income/(expenditure) for the year		(201)	29,053	28,852	3,738
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Total funds brought forward	13	9,253	20,958	30,211	26,473
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		9,052	50,011	59,063	30,211

There are no recognised gains or losses other than the net movement in funds for the above two financial years. All incoming resources and resources expended derive from continuing activities.

The notes form part of these financial statements

NORRIS GREEN COMMUNITY ALLIANCE (Limited by Guarantee)
BALANCE SHEET
At 31 March 2021
Registration Number: 06853661

	Note	2021 Unrestricted funds £	2021 Restricted funds £	2021 Total funds £	2020 Total funds £
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible assets	9	167	-	167	196
CURRENT ASSETS					
Debtors	10	-	-	-	-
Cash at bank and in hand	11	9,770	50,011	59,781	30,804
		9,770	50,011	59,781	30,804
CREDITORS					
Amounts falling due within one year	12	(885)	-	(885)	(789)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		8,885	50,011	58,896	30,015
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		9,052	50,011	59,063	30,211
FUNDS					
Unrestricted funds	13			9,052	9,253
Restricted funds				50,011	20,958
TOTAL FUNDS				59,063	30,211

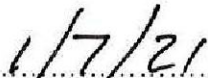
For the year ending 31 March 2021 the company was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

Directors' responsibilities

- The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its accounts for the year in question in accordance with section 476 of the Companies Act 2006
- The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 with respect to accounting records and preparation of accounts.
- These accounts have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies' regime.

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


Eric Williams – Secretary


Date 1/7/21

The notes form part of these financial statements

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Accounting convention

The financial statements of the charity, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, have been prepared under the historical cost convention, the Charities Act 2011 and 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice for Charities' 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 2019). The charity has taken advantage of the disclosure exemption in preparing these financial statements, as permitted by FRS 102, the requirements of Section 7 Statement of Cash Flows.

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

Going Concern

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

Income

Incoming recognition

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

Incoming Resources with Related Expenditure

Where incoming resources have related expenditure (as with fundraising or contract income) the incoming resources and related expenditure are reported gross in the SoFA

Grants and Donations

Grants and donations are only included in the SoFA when the Charity has unconditional entitlement to the resource.

Contractual Income and Performance Related Grants

This is only included in the SoFA once the related goods or services have been delivered.

Volunteer Help

The value of any voluntary help received is not included in the accounts.

Investment Income

This is included in the accounts when receivable.

Expenditure and Liabilities

Liability Recognition

Liabilities are recognised as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure.

Governance Costs

These include costs of the preparation and examination of statutory accounts, the costs of trustee meetings and cost of any legal advice to trustees on governance or constitutional matters.

Grants and Performance Conditions

Where the charity gives a grant with conditions for its payment being a specific level of service output to be provided, such grants are only recognised in the SoFA once the recipient of the grant has provided the specific service or output.

Grants payable without Performance Conditions

These are only recognised in the accounts when a commitment has been made and there are no conditions to be met relating to the grant which remain in the control of the charity

Fixed assets and depreciation

Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates in order to write off each asset over its estimated useful life. The following rates and methods are used:

Equipment - 15% reducing balance

All equipment, fixtures and fittings with an original cost of less than £600, are written off in the year in which the expenditure was incurred on the basis that due to the nature of the company's activities, there is no expectation that the cost of the assets will be recovered in the way of future revenues.

Financial instruments

The charity only has financial assets and financial liabilities of a kind that qualify as basic financial instruments. Basic financial instruments are initially recognised at transaction value and subsequently measured at their settlement value with the exception of bank loans which are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

Taxation

The charity is exempt from corporation tax on its charitable activities and is not registered for VAT. As a registered charity the company benefits from rates relief.

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.

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Note	2021 Unrestricted	2021 Restricted	2021 Total	2020 Total
	£	£	£	£
2 Donations and legacies				
Donations	1,900	2,367	4,267	13,229
North Liverpool Regeneration Co	-	3,165	3,165	-
HMRC JRS Grant	-	10,781	10,781	-
	<u>1,900</u>	<u>16,313</u>	<u>18,213</u>	<u>13,229</u>
	2021 Unrestricted	2021 Restricted	2021 Total	2020 Total
	£	£	£	£
3 Charitable activities				
BBC Children in Need	-	32,676	32,676	39,568
Cobalt Housing	-	5,813	5,813	3,112
Communal	-	-	-	580
Community Foundation Lancs	-	5,195	5,195	1,000
Covid Lottery fund	-	40,181	40,181	-
DM Thomas Foundation	-	-	-	5,000
Merseyside Violence Reduction Unit	-	-	-	11,500
Henry Smith Charity	-	16,500	16,500	27,000
LCVS VRU	-	1,500	1,500	6,610
Liverpool Council - City Activities	-	18,033	18,033	14,000
Liverpool Council - Mayor Hardship Fund	-	2,500	2,500	15,874
Liverpool Council - Community Resource	-	12,000	12,000	12,000
Liverpool Council - Covid	-	11,649	11,649	-
PH Holt Foundation	-	2,460	2,460	-
SPRING	-	-	-	4,200
MPAC	-	7,576	7,576	2,572
Skelton Fund	-	1,000	1,000	-
Sports Alive	-	2,430	2,430	-
Steve Morgan Foundation	-	5,000	5,000	-
Torus Foundation	-	1,000	1,000	750
Your Edge	-	2,430	2,430	-
Norris Green Youth & Play Consortium	-	4,860	4,860	9,740
	<u>-</u>	<u>172,803</u>	<u>172,803</u>	<u>153,506</u>
	2021 Unrestricted	2021 Restricted	2021 Total	2020 Total
	£	£	£	£
4 Other trading activities				
Other trading activities	-	-	-	-
	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>

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	2021 Unrestricted £	2021 Restricted £	2021 Total £	2020 Total £
6 Resources Expended				
Charitable activities				
Governance Costs - see below	800	-	800	700
Activities & sessional staff	-	21,647	21,647	59,628
Bank charges	-	172	172	178
Contribution to Hardship Funds	200	8,252	8,452	5,965
DBS	-	724	724	94
Depreciation	29	-	29	35
Donations to schools for uniforms	-	2,500	2,500	2,500
Equipment	-	5,217	5,217	4,363
Fareshare	-	1,706	1,706	1,290
Food	-	24,743	24,743	-
Insurance	-	682	682	1,530
Payroll fee	-	515	515	528
Printing & stationery	62	2,268	2,330	1,683
Refreshments	-	-	-	470
Rent & rates	-	3,817	3,817	3,817
Room Hire	-	-	-	5,774
Sundry	231	291	522	499
Telephone & Internet	262	749	1,011	1,005
Training	-	-	-	150
Travel	-	1,652	1,652	512
Volunteer expenses	305	2,990	3,295	3,166
Wages	348	82,028	82,376	69,198
	<u>2,237</u>	<u>159,953</u>	<u>162,190</u>	<u>163,085</u>
Included in Governance costs				
Independent examiner's fees	800	-	800	700
	<u>800</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>800</u>	<u>700</u>

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Note	Direct Charitable Expenditure	Support & Governance Costs	Total
	£	£	£
7 Analysis of expenditure			
Total expenditure in 2021	131,718	30,472	162,190
Total expenditure in 2020	135,191	27,894	163,085
Analysed as follows:	2021	2020	
Direct Charitable Expenditure	£	£	
Activities & sessional staff	21,647	59,628	
Contribution to Hardship Funds	8,452	5,965	
DBS	724	94	
Donations to schools for uniforms	2,500	2,500	
Equipment	5,217	4,363	
Fareshare	1,706	1,290	
Food	24,743	-	
Room Hire	-	5,774	
Travel	1,652	512	
Volunteer expenses	3,295	3,166	
Wages	61,782	51,899	
	131,718	135,191	
Support & Governance Costs			
Governance Costs	800	700	
Bank charges	172	178	
Depreciation	29	35	
Insurance	682	1,530	
Payroll fee	515	528	
Printing	2,330	1,683	
Refreshments	-	470	
Rent & rates	3,817	3,817	
Sundry	522	499	
Telephone & Internet	1,011	1,005	
Training	-	150	
Wages	20,594	17,299	
	30,472	27,894	

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Note	2021	2020
8 Staff Costs and Employees	£	£
Wages and salaries	81,842	68,554
Social security costs	94	163
Pension	440	481
	<u>82,376</u>	<u>69,198</u>

No employee earned £60,000 or more during the year (nor the previous year)

The average number of employees during the year was :	2021	2020
Charitable activities	5	4
Administration	2	2
	<u>7</u>	<u>6</u>

9 Fixed Assets

	Equipment	Total
	£	£
Cost		
At 1 April 2020	720	720
Disposals	-	-
Additions	-	-
At 31 March 2021	<u>720</u>	<u>720</u>

Depreciation

At 1 April 2020	524	524
On Disposals	-	-
Charge for year	29	29
At 31 March 2021	<u>553</u>	<u>553</u>

Net Book Value

At 31 March 2021	167	167
At 31 March 2020	196	196

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Note	2021	2020
10 Debtors	£	£
Prepayments & accrued income	-	-
	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
	2021	2020
11 Cash at bank and in hand	£	£
Current Account	35,485	4,294
Deposit Account	24,296	26,510
	<u>59,781</u>	<u>30,804</u>
	2021	2020
12 Creditors : amounts falling due within one year	£	£
Accruals	885	789
	<u>885</u>	<u>789</u>

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Note	Balance at				Balance at
13 Movement in Funds	31 March	Incoming	Resources	Transfers	31 March
	2020	Resources	Expended	In / (Out)	2021
	£	£	£	£	£
Unrestricted Funds					
General Fund	9,253	1,926	(2,237)	110	9,052
	9,253	1,926	(2,237)	110	9,052
Restricted Funds					
<u>HMRC JRS Grant</u>	-	10,781	(10,781)	-	-
<u>Play</u>					
BBC Children in Need	-	32,676	(32,676)	-	-
Donations	260	4,480	-	-	4,740
Your Edge	-	2,430	-	-	2,430
MPAC	-	4,376	(2,576)	-	1,800
Community Foundation Lancs	-	1,195	(1,195)	-	-
LCVS VRU	60	230	-	(290)	-
Torus Foundation	-	1,000	(1,000)	-	-
Norris Green Youth & Play Consortium	-	4,860	(1,797)	-	3,063
<u>Activities</u>					
Cobalt Housing	-	1,750	(1,750)	-	-
Liverpool Council - City Activities	-	18,033	(18,172)	139	-
Donations	-	550	(550)	-	-
<u>Other</u>					
Henry Smith Charity	4,919	16,500	(4,888)	-	16,531
Liverpool Council - Community Resource Grant	-	12,000	(11,995)	(5)	-
Liverpool Council - Active Norris Green Partnership	3,623	-	(660)	(400)	2,563
Ellergreen YP Project	3,080	150	-	-	3,230
Liverpool Council - Mayor's Hardship Fund	7,371	1,500	(3,251)	-	5,620
Donations	1,645	3,094	-	446	5,185
Covid Lottery Fund	-	40,181	(40,181)	-	-
<u>Covid Fund</u>					
Cobalt Housing	-	1,763	(500)	-	1,263
Community Foundation Lancs	-	4,000	(4,000)	-	-
LCVS	-	1,500	(1,500)	-	-
Liverpool City Council	-	11,649	(8,063)	-	3,586
MPAC	-	2,700	(2,700)	-	-
PH Holt Foundation	-	2,460	(2,460)	-	-
Steve Morgan Foundation	-	5,000	(5,000)	-	-
North Liverpool Regeneration Co	-	3,165	(3,165)	-	-
Donations	-	1,093	(1,093)	-	-
	20,958	189,116	(159,953)	(110)	50,011
Total Funds	30,211	191,042	(162,190)	-	59,063

14 Trustees' Remuneration and Benefits

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 31 March 2021 nor for the year ended 31 March 2020

15 Trustees' Expenses

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 31 March 2021 nor for the year ended 31 March 2020

16 Capital Commitments

The company had no capital commitments at 31 March 2021 (2020: None) either contracted for or authorised by the directors but not contracted for.