

BLAENLLECHAU YOUTH PROJECT

England & Wales · Charity number 1138307

Details

Status Registered

Legal form Other

Registered 2010-10-07

Register [View on the Charity Commission register](#)

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Activities

Objects: TO ADVANCE IN LIFE AND HELP YOUNG PEOPLE THROUGH:(A)THE PROVISION OF RECREATIONAL AND LEISURE TIME ACTIVITIES PROVIDED IN THE INTEREST OFSOCIAL WELFARE, DESIGNED TO IMPROVE THEIR CONDITIONS OF LIFE.(B)PROVIDING SUPPORT AND ACTIVITIES WHICH DEVELOP THEIR SKILLS, CAPACITIES ANDCAPABILITIES, TO ENABLE THEM TO PARTICIPATE IN SOCIETY AS MATURE AND RESPONSIBLE INDIVIDUALS

Activities: Blaenllechau Youth Project endeavors to encourage the children and young people of Blaenllechau and The Upper Rhondda Fach between the ages of 5 and 25 years to become more actively involved in their communities through various activities and the informal education of life skills.

Classification

- **How:** Provides Services
- **What:** General Charitable Purposes, Education/training, The Prevention Or Relief Of Poverty, Arts/culture/heritage/science, Amateur Sport, Environment/conservation/heritage
- **Who:** Children/young People, The General Public/mankind

Geography

- **Area of benefit:** UNDEFINED. IN PRACTICE, LOCAL
- Rhondda Cynon Taff

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£38,751	£52,188	-	-
2024-03-31	£34,268	£46,740	-	-
2023-03-31	£60,456	£60,456	-	-
2022-03-31	£64,624	£64,624	-	-
2021-03-31	£68,491	£68,491	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
DAVID HUTCHISON		2016-02-15
Deborah Price		2023-10-05
KIMBERLEY LOUISE CROTTY HNC		
Michelle Hetherington		2014-01-16

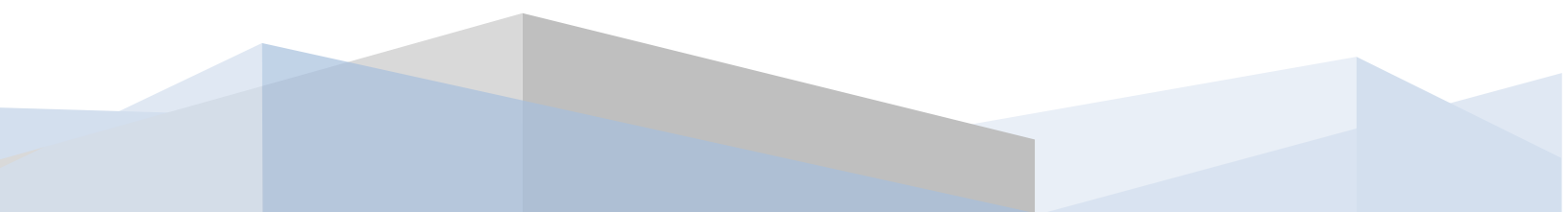
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Funding

We have been struggling to gain continuation funding and do not see this changing as we justify our existence in the current climate. We feel our service for the children and young people is most important. Funding we have received this year came from:

- YEPS (Youthwork) Legacy Fund
- RCTCBC
- Spar
- Lidl
- Rhondda Rotary Community Raffle
- Shared Prosperity Fund through RCTCTC
- The Neighbourhood Network Fund RCTCBC

As well as our normal operating we have had extra activities on offer through the Shared Prosperity Fund and these included:

- Litter picks
- Art and craft workshops with outside providers, supporting local businesses.
- International Playday resources
- Trips



- Character visits and much more...

Dance

Dance is a huge part of Blaenllechau Youth Project and has been very successful for many years. Dance is currently funded by RCTCBC's Shared Prosperity Fund and we work towards our shows in the summer and also at Christmas. The dance project is an amazing tool for showcasing local talent and can develop confidence, increase well-being and provide physical exercise for the children and young people who take part. We take all children and young people and there is no audition process, it is a community based dance project and we aim to make the sessions fun for the children and young people whilst building their developing skills. We currently have 3 classes per week:

- 3 & 4 years
- 5-9 years
- And 10 years and over

If you know anyone who would like to join our classes then please message Blaenllechau Youth Project on Facebook and we will get back you as soon as we can.

Open access play

Playschemes and term time provision are continuing to grow and our sessions are at capacity most of the time. We love to play games, make messy play and lots more. Open access play is a staffed play program for children that offers a safe, supportive environment for them to play with their peers. The goal of open access play is to help children choose what and who they play with, and to support their development of skills build on self-esteem. We have managed to keep holiday provision 5 days a week during holidays this year by gaining funding from another source.

Youthwork sessions

Our youthwork sessions are run by level 2 qualified youthworkers who have many years' experience in this field. We don't have huge numbers in our sessions and this is the main draw for the young people who do come along. They say they do not go to another local statutory service as it is too busy and they do not like that. We take part in discussion groups, issue based workshops as well as cooking or arts & crafts. The young people decide with staff what they would like to do at the next session.

Family Fun sessions

Our family fun sessions run on a Wednesday evening and the aim is to provide a space and ideas for children and their parents to work tighter and spend quality time together. There could be arts & crafts, games or cooking on offer and this is decided by the users of the group.

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- Lidl
- Spar

All staff have undertaken training over the past year to enhance their professional development, courses have included:

- Safeguarding
- Food Hygiene
- First Aid

All board members have undertaken safeguarding at level 1. They have no contact with children and young people but this is so that they understand their responsibilities should there be disclosures. Blaenllechau Youth Project continues to be the only group registered with The Care Inspectorate for Wales (CIW) in the Upper Rhondda Fach. This ensures quality and good practice. Although we have had our challenges this year Blaenllechau Youth Project has exceeded all expectations.

Our latest CIW report is available to read online on the Care Inspectorate website.

We have adapted our way of working depending on need of our service users and we will continue to do this over the coming months.

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Regular weekly sessions during the year

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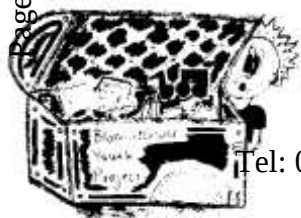


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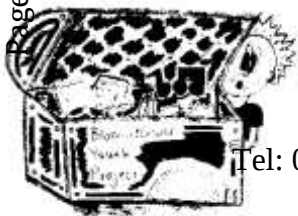
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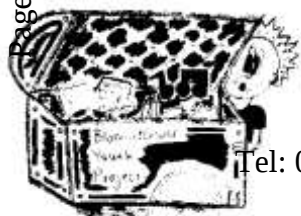


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BLAENLLECHAU YOUTH PROJECT RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS YEAR ENDING 31st MARCH 2025

Income	Amount		Expenditure	Amount
Grant income				
RCTCBC	35566.58		<i>Salaries</i>	30915.19
Rotary Club	200.00		<i>PAYE</i>	1673.82
Lidl Neighbourly	280.00		<i>Payroll Costs</i>	688.00
			<i>Pension Scheme (Nest)</i>	1117.75
			<i>Insurance</i>	875.20
			<i>DBS</i>	107.20
			<i>Utilities and servicing water/telephone/internet /gas/electricity</i>	2637.08
<i>Sub Total</i>	<i>£36046.58</i>		<i>Sub-Total</i>	<i>£38014.24</i>
Bank transfer payments, income for services and youth contributions	<i>£2704.26</i>		<i>Project costs</i>	<i>£14174.99</i>
<i>Sub total</i>	<i>£2704.26</i>			
TOTAL	£38750.84		TOTAL	£52189.23

Bank starting balance 1st April
2024 £62032.75
Bank end balance 31st March
2025 £50580.83



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These accounts are an independent examination and were carried out by:

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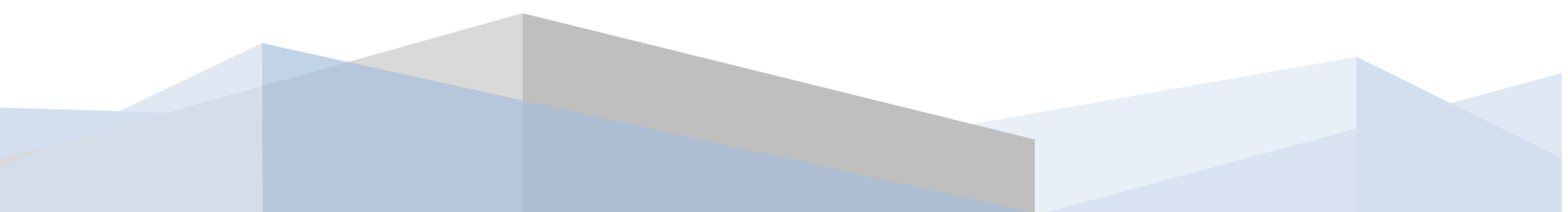
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- RCTCBC Families First(holiday playschemes and term time provision)
- RCTCBC Legacy Fund (Youthwork)
- RCTCBC Summer of Fun and Winter of Wellbeing
- The Cooperative Community Fund
- Arnold Clarke
- Pen Y Cymoedd
- Spar (Easter eggs & selection boxes)
- Rhondda Rotary Community Raffle

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As is the nature of our charity, we will continue to actively seek funding for posts and the operating costs for The Mission over the coming weeks and months.

As well as our normal operating we have had extra activities on offer through the Summer of Fun, these were additional activities and provided to families free of charge at the point of delivery, this assists with community members engaging with their communities, having fun and learning new skills.

Tiny Tots group

This group is for children aged from birth to school age with their parents/carers. We offer many exciting activities through these sessions such a messy play and celebrate local and national events such as St. David's Day, Chinese New Year, Pancake Day, National storytelling day and World book day to name a few.

Our group helps teach parents/carers learn about the importance of play as well as providing a wide range of activities to enhance the development of babies and toddlers before they attend school.

What's next

As well as our normal table of activities, we have some exciting projects are coming up in the coming weeks and months. We regularly update our risk assessments to reflect the latest Government and Local Authority guidelines and we operate to the highest standards within these.

We were fortunate to have received funding from Welsh Governments Summer of Fun and this is to assist children, young people and their families re-engage with their communities and have fun after the huge effects of Covid-19. We had a trip to Folly Farm as well as other exciting fun activities for children, young people and their families.

Dance

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Open access play

Our numbers are back up to pre pandemic levels in Open Access Play and we have held school holiday playschemes throughout the holidays as well as term time provision twice weekly. These sessions are free to all who attend at the point of delivery to reduce barriers and ensure that provision is available to all.

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Legacy Fund (formally Communities First) and the future

We were funded by this programme for a few years for our family session and youth sessions. Due to reshaping in the local authority from August 2021 the family element has not been available to us and this only now funds the youth sessions.

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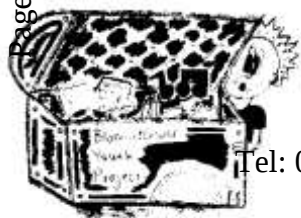


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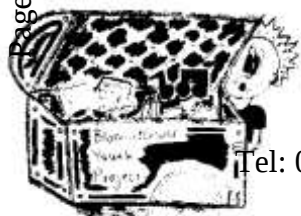
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Bank transfer payments income for services			Project costs from grant income	9051.40
Sub total	£360.92			
Generated Income Youth Contributions (Banked)				
Sub Total	£2034.00			
				£
			Accumulated Fund 2022- 2023(Credit)	£8210.47
TOTAL	£60456.74		TOTAL	£60456.74

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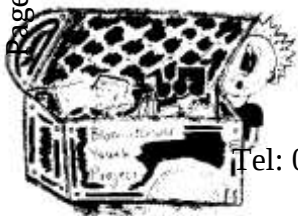
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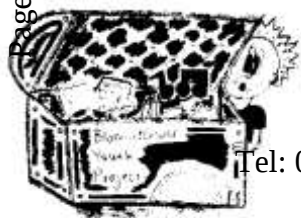


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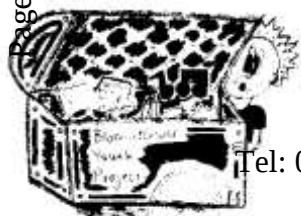
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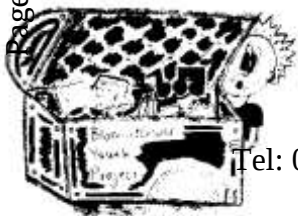
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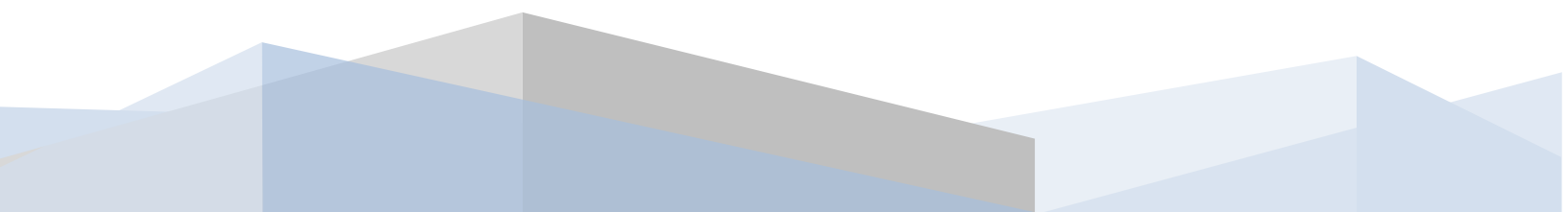
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- Playscheme Monday – Fridays during school holidays in Blaenllechau (except Bank Holidays).

Moving forward

Our main objectives and priorities for the next year:

We are a small voluntary organisation and our ongoing plan is to seek and gain funding for the continuation of Blaenllechau Youth Project. To enable us to achieve our full potential, we will continue to nurture and develop links with the community and local groups such as BCIG, local schools and other like-minded organisations. We feel we have a valuable project within the community and that we have a positive influence in the lives of the children and young people and their families with whom we engage.

Since Blaenllechau Youth Project started, almost 30 years ago we have worked with thousands of children and young people and hope this can continue long into the future for their benefit, as well as offering some respite and support for families.

We have two part time members of staff and three sessional workers who work within the project to facilitate sessions. We feel we have excellent outcomes within such a small project and hope funders

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will see this and feel able to support us. Children and young people 'vote with their feet' and return time and time again to the project, and we use repeat users as a measure of our success.

With the closures of the past few years in Blaenllechau and also the surrounding area we feel it is more important than ever to develop strong links with other community projects. This will help us reach our goals as set out in our constitution as well as people feel they are doing something positive within their community and feel good about it. We will continue to provide good quality play and youth provision for children, young people and their families to engage. A space where people can meet, socialise and make new friends in a safe space for them to explore and reflect on their own experiences.

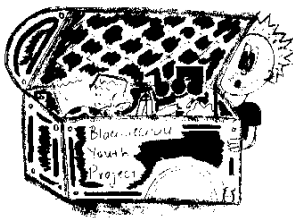
With the cost of living crisis in mind, we feel that offering these valuable sessions free of charge or very low cost to users, goes some way in providing good quality experiences without the added cost, alleviating some pressures that families within our local communities may be facing. We also collect surplus long life food from local supermarkets that families and users are welcome to take as they wish, with no judgement. This also reduces food waste.

A huge thank you must be expressed to the dedicated staff and The Board of Directors for Blaenllechau Youth Project. Our numbers (although a very effective group) are quite low on our board of Directors, we plan to actively seek new members this coming year to assist us and help us achieve our aims and objectives, keeping Blaenllechau Youth Project alive in our village for the benefit of residents of Blaenllechau and surrounding villages. If you are interested, or know anyone who may be, then please email us on bcryouth@hotmail.com.

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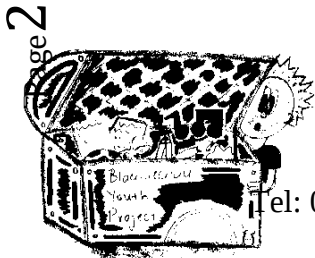


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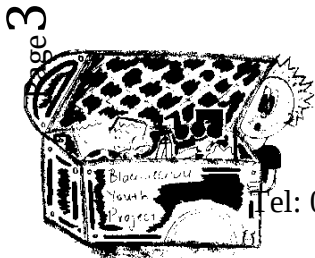
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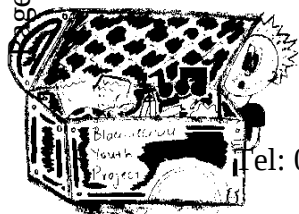


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Fixtures and Fittings		£2,500	
Depreciation		-£50	£2,450
<u>Current Assets</u>			
Bank (Reserve)		£2,000	
Bank (Working Capital)	£65,461		
Cash	£150	£65,611	
<u>Current Liabilities</u>			
Creditors			
Net Current Assets			£67,611
Total Current Assets			£70,061
<u>Financed By:</u>			
Accumulated Fund B/Fwd			£63,230
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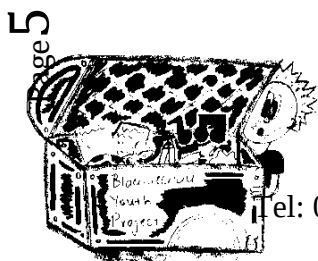


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Income	Amount		Expenditure	Amount
Grants			Salary	£32,373.22
Welsh Church Act Fund	£2,500.00		PAYE	£2,164.79
RCTCBC	£38,412.99		Payroll Costs	£697.00
Arnold Clark	£1,000.00		Pension Scheme	£1,076.57
Cooperative	£1,337.86		Electric	£670.30
Mabon Trust	£200.00		Fees	£6,971.30
Moondance	£9,997.00		Insurance	£741.87
Foundation Grant	£400.00		RCTCBC Repayments	£299.84
Neighbourly FO	£9,800.00		Repairs	£5,190.00
National Lottery			Telephone /Internet	£563.23
			Water	£259.67
Sub Total	£63,647.85		Resources	£6,735.78
Other			Sub-Total	£57,743.57
Amazon Europe Core Donation	£14.56			
Onecom Reimbursement	£6.65			
Sub Total	£21.21			
Generated Income				
Youth Contributions (Banked)	£907.76			
Sundries	£48.00			
Sub Total	£955.76			
			Fixtures and Fittings Depreciation	£50.00
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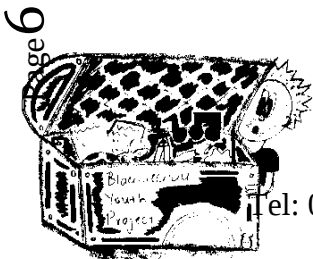
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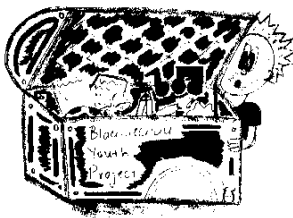


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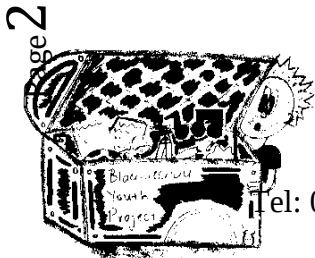


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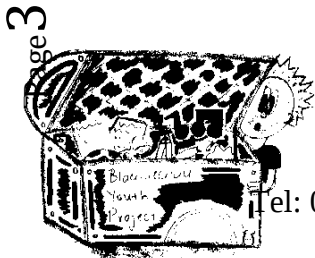
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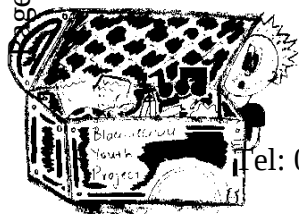


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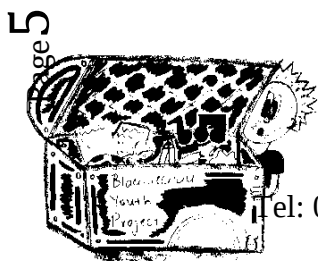


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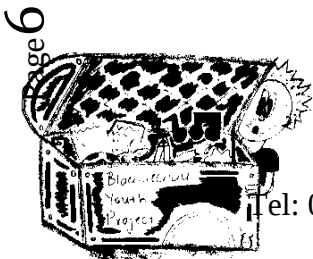
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What's next

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We have had funding from RCT's Youth Engagement Participation Service (YEPS) to work with the young people and have an exciting art project over 8 weeks starting January 2022. Young people will design and paint murals on the walls inside The Mission, with expert advice from a professional outside artist.

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We will build on these up until March and offer more activities and projects, including:

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We have also been fortunate to have been successful through RCTCBC for their small capital grant scheme and through this the patio at the front of the building will be removed and replaced in the coming weeks. Another successful grant is from The Welsh Church Act Fund and this is to replace the back end of The Mission roof and also to replace all the lighting tubes in the Mission, making it a better environment and also more energy efficient.

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Sessions have proved very successful with parents and dancers alike and give the dancers the chance to socialise and take part in some exercise for their health and well-being.

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- Tuesdays- Dance sessions for 3-4 years, 5-9 years and 9 and over from 4pm-7pm
- Wednesdays - Family fun session 4pm-5.30pm
- Thursdays- Junior Drop-In 4pm-5.30pm

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- Thursdays- Senior Drop-In sessions 6pm-8pm
- Playscheme during every day (Monday - Friday) during school holidays in Blaenllechau (except Bank Holidays).

Outside garden area

We were fortunate enough to have received a butterfly garden package from Keep Wales Tidy. This was in the form of tools, plants, planters and other equipment to create a butterfly garden. We have been tidying up our garden this year when weather has allowed and made good progress. We also have some funding from RCTCBC to make a garden a more inviting space and were able to purchase some sensory items and plants for us and the community to enjoy. We also purchased new wooden benches which are currently being decorated with wood burning and we are looking forward to February half term 2022 when we can place the new benches outside and complete more work in the garden.

Moving forward

Our main objectives and priorities for the next year:

We are a very small voluntary organisation and our ongoing plan is to seek and gain funding for the continuation of Blaenllechau Youth Project and to enable us to achieve our full potential, we will continue to nurture and develop links with the community and local groups such as BCIG, local schools and likeminded organisations. We feel we have a valuable project within the community and that we have a positive influence in the lives of the children and young people and their families with whom we engage. Since we started.

Blaenllechau Youth Project 28 years ago we have worked with thousands of children and young people and hope this can continue long into the future for their benefit, as well as offering some respite and support for families.

We have 2 part time members of staff and 3 sessional workers who work within the project and facilitate sessions. We feel we have excellent outcomes with such a small project and hope funders will see this and feel able to support us. Children and young people 'vote with their feet' and return time and time again to the project and we use repeat users as a measure of our success.

With the closures of the past few years in Blaenllechau and also the surrounding area we feel it is more important than ever to develop strong links with other community projects, this will help us reach our goals as set out in our constitution as well as people feel they are doing something positive within their community and feel good about it.

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With the closure of schools and limited access to outdoors, children and young people have had an extremely challenging year themselves and we hope to ensure that we will be there for them as restrictions lift, providing good quality play and youth provision for them to engage. A space where they can meet their friends and make new friends in a safe space for them to explore and reflect on their own experiences.

A huge thank you must be expressed to the dedicated staff and The Board of Directors for Blaenllechau Youth Project. Our numbers (although a very effective group) are quite low on our board of Directors, we plan to actively seek new members this coming year to assist us and help us achieve our aims and objectives and keep Blaenllechau Youth Project alive in our village for the benefit of residents of Blaenllechau and surrounding villages. If you are interested, or know anyone who may be, then please email us on bcryouth@hotmail.com.



Registered Charity Number

1138307

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STATEMENT OF AFFAIRS

For the period to 31st March 2021

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REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Registered Charity Name: Blaenllechau Youth Project

Registered Office: The Welfare Hall (The Mission)
R/O 17-21 Long Row
Blaenllechau
Ferndale
Rhondda Cynon Taff
CF434NP

Registered Charity Number: 1138307

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The Directors:

Directors during the period were:-

Mr. Emrys England (Chair)

Mrs. Kimberley Hutchison (secretary)

Mr. David Hutchison

Mrs. Kathryn Razey board member and CIW registered person

Miss Michelle Hetherington (Treasurer)

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BYP Balance Sheet for Year Ending 31st March 2021

	Year Ending 31/03/2021			Year Ending 31/03/2020		
<u>Fixed Assets</u>						
Fixtures and Fittings		2,550			2,600	
Depreciation		(50)	2,500		(50)	2,550
<u>Current Assets</u>						
Bank (Reserve)		2,000			2,000	
Bank (Working Capital)	58,580			34,670		
Cash	274	58,854		224	34,894	
<u>Current Liabilities</u>						
Creditors						
Net Current Assets			60,854			36,894
Total Current Assets			63,354			39,444

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<u>Financed By:</u>						
Accumulated Fund B/Fwd		39,444			39,375	
Fund Balance for 2021		23,910			69	
Accumulated Fund Balance			63,354			39,444

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BLAENLLECHAU YOUTH PROJECT RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS YEAR ENDING 31ST MARCH 2021

Income	Amount	Expenditure	Amount
Grants			
BBC CIN	10,500.00	Salaries	31,284.47
CO-OP	282.17	PAYE	2,396.16
GROUNDWORK UK	500.00	Salaries Costs	708.00
LCF	1,117.63	Pension Fund	1,193.04
RCT CBC	52,682.23	Electric	252.86
VOLT ACT MERTHYR	250.00	Gas	266.25
COMM FUND WALES	2,000.00	Water	387.02
		Telephone/Internet	609.17
<i>Sub Total</i>	67,332.03	Room Hire	121.60
		Rent	5.00
		Stationery	41.19
Generated Income		Insurance	883.48

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Youth Income (Banked)	1,053.75	Resources	5,694.09
Youth Contributions (Cash Purchases)		Fees	40.39
		Dance Costs	490.06
<i>Sub Total</i>	1053.75	Comm'ty Social Meeting	128.99
Other		Accts Check Fee	80.00
Rainbow Income	106.00		
<i>Sub Total</i>	106.00		
		<i>Credit Balance at 31st March 2021</i>	23,910.01
<i>Total Income</i>	68491.78		68491.78

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Declaration

To the best of my knowledge the information given in the Financial Statements is correct and shows the Company's State of Affairs at the 31st March 2021.

Name: Signature: Position in Company: Date:

David Hutchison Chair since AGM

Kimberley Hutchison.....Secretary

Michelle Hetherington.....Treasurer

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These accounts are an independent examination and were carried out by

Mr Ivor Edwards -Finance Officer (retired)

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