

BARNET COMMUNITY PROJECTS

England & Wales · Charity number 1139376

Details

Other names BCP

Status Registered

Legal form Other

Registered 2010-12-20

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Activities

Objects: THE CHARITY'S OBJECTS (THE OBJECTS) ARE: TO PROMOTE ANY CHARITABLE PURPOSE FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE COMMUNITY IN THE LONDON BOROUGH OF BARNET AS THE TRUSTEES SEE FIT IN PARTICULAR BUT NOT EXCLUSIVELY BY THE FOLLOWING MEANS: (A) TO PROMOTE THE EFFICIENCY AND EFFECTIVENESS OF CHARITIES AND THE EFFECTIVE APPLICATION AND USE OF RESOURCES BY NON CHARITABLE BODIES FOR THE PUBLIC BENEFIT IN PARTICULAR BUT NOT EXCLUSIVELY BY PROVIDING OR ASSISTING IN THE SET UP OF COMMUNITY PROJECTS, SUPPORTING THEIR ADMINISTRATION AND PROVIDING SUPPORT SERVICES TO THEM; AND BY FACILITATING PARTNERSHIP AND CO-OPERATION IN THE VOLUNTARY SECTOR: (1) "VOLUNTARY SECTOR" MEANS CHARITIES AND VOLUNTARY ORGANISATIONS; (2) "CHARITIES" ARE ORGANISATIONS WHICH ARE ESTABLISHED FOR EXCLUSIVELY CHARITABLE PURPOSES IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE LAW OF ENGLAND AND WALES; (3) "VOLUNTARY ORGANISATIONS" ARE INDEPENDENT ORGANISATIONS WHICH ARE ESTABLISHED FOR PURPOSES THAT ADD VALUE TO THE COMMUNITY AS A WHOLE OR A SIGNIFICANT SECTION OF THE COMMUNITY AND WHICH ARE NOT PERMITTED BY THEIR CONSTITUTION TO MAKE A PROFIT FOR PRIVATE DISTRIBUTION AND VOLUNTARY ORGANISATIONS DO NOT INCLUDE LOCAL GOVERNMENT OR OTHER STATUTORY AUTHORITIES; (B) THE PROMOTION OF THE VOLUNTARY SECTOR FOR THE PUBLIC BENEFIT, IN PARTICULAR BUT NOT EXCLUSIVELY BY THE FOLLOWING MEANS: (A) IDENTIFYING NEED IN THE VOLUNTARY SECTOR AND ESTABLISHING PROJECTS OR POLICIES TO ADDRESS THEM; (B) LIASING BETWEEN CHARITIES, VOLUNTARY ORGANISATIONS, THE LOCAL AUTHORITY AND OTHER GROUPS OR ORGANISATIONS ON RELEVANT ISSUES THAT AFFECT MEMBERS OF THE COMMUNITY; (C) TO PROMOTE COMMUNITY CAPACITY BUILDING FOR THE PUBLIC BENEFIT IN PARTICULAR BUT NOT LIMITED TO YOUNG PEOPLE - "COMMUNITY CAPACITY BUILDING" MEANS DEVELOPING THE CAPACITY AND SKILLS OF MEMBERS OF THE COMMUNITY IN SUCH A WAY THAT THEY ARE BETTER ABLE TO IDENTIFY AND HELP MEET, THEIR NEEDS AND TO PARTICIPATE MORE FULLY IN SOCIETY. (D) THE RELIEF OF UNEMPLOYMENT FOR THE PUBLIC BENEFIT; (E) THE ADVANCEMENT OF EDUCATION FOR THE PUBLIC BENEFIT INCLUDING THE PROVISION OF TRAINING, INFORMATION AND ADVICE AND PROMOTING OPPORTUNITIES FOR MEMBERS OF THE COMMUNITY TO DEVELOP NEW SKILLS AND KNOWLEDGE; AND (F) TO FURTHER FOR THE BENEFIT OF MEMBERS OF THE COMMUNITY, WITHOUT DISTINCTION OF SEX, SEXUAL ORIENTATION, RACE OR OF POLITICAL, RELIGIOUS OR OTHER OPINIONS BY ASSOCIATING TOGETHER MEMBERS OF THE COMMUNITY, LOCAL AUTHORITIES, VOLUNTARY AND OTHER ORGANISATIONS IN A COMMON EFFORT TO PROVIDE FACILITIES IN THE INTERESTS OF SOCIAL WELFARE FOR RECREATION AND OTHER LEISURE TIME OCCUPATIONS WITH THE OBJECTIVE OF IMPROVING THE CONDITIONS OF LIFE OF COMMUNITY MEMBERS. WHERE IN THE VIEW OF THE TRUSTEES IT IS EXPEDIENT IN THE INTERESTS OF THE CHARITY, THE TRUSTEES MAY SUPPORT AND ENCOURAGE OVERSEAS PARTNERSHIP PROJECTS WHICH ARE YOUTH AND COMMUNITY FOCUSED IN SUCH COUNTRIES OF THE WORLD AS THEY SEE FIT.

Activities: Barnet Community Projects exists to facilitate long term social improvement in the London Borough of Barnet. We do this through residents engagement, empowering them to deliver projects that make a difference to the local community. We deliver youth activities, community cafe, skatepark sessions, reparation projects, mentoring programmes, sports sessions & activities to address disadvantage.

Classification

- **How:** Provides Human Resources, Provides Services, Acts As An Umbrella Or Resource Body, Other Charitable Activities
- **What:** General Charitable Purposes, The Prevention Or Relief Of Poverty, Amateur Sport, Economic/community Development/employment, Recreation, Other Charitable Purposes
- **Who:** Children/young People, Elderly/old People

Geography

- **Area of benefit:** LONDON BOROUGH OF BARNET
- Barnet

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£112,627	£121,226	-	-
2024-03-31	£111,199	£115,055	-	-
2023-03-31	£106,259	£107,624	-	-
2022-03-31	£112,156	£106,657	-	-
2021-03-31	£96,541	£84,376	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Michael Benaim	Chair	2016-12-16
David William Mayall		2026-03-03
Emma Rachel Not		2020-05-05
Patricia Ellen Gray		2026-05-19
Stephen Anthony Bull		2013-09-27
Stephen James Pegum		

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Accounts

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Emma Not	

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Projects, services and achievements during the year

Introduction

The year ended 31st March 2025 has seen BCP continue to concentrate on its core provision of a foodbank for the poorest residents in our local area, a Lunch Club in the school holidays primarily for children in receipt of free school meals, mixed martial arts training for both adults and young people, with new ventures of providing NFL flag football training in local schools as well as a program of peer mentoring support for some of the young people who attend our Lunch Club.

Dollis Valley Angels foodbank

The weekly foodbank continues to be used by an increased number of clients – by the end of the year under review we were distributing to over 60 local families each week. Weekly deliveries (on Wednesdays) continued to be supplied by the Felix Project, a London-based food redistribution charity set up in 2016 to tackle food poverty. We receive two separate deliveries each week – a supply of ambient (i.e. non-chilled) foodstuffs and a newer supply of frozen foods, which has required us to provide additional freezer space to store those supplies.

Additional weekly donations were collected from the Barnet Food Hub, a local initiative established by Barnet Together, a collaboration between Inclusion Barnet, Volunteering Barnet, Groundwork London and the Young Barnet Foundation. Sadly we heard after the year-end that the Food Hub would be closing at the end of September 2024, as Barnet Council could no longer afford to fund this non-statutory service.

A food hygiene inspection by Barnet Council in February confirmed our food hygiene rating as 4 which rates as good.

Our dedicated team of foodbank volunteers was led by Sarah Snell, with able support each week from Christine, Jeanette, Karen and Rosie. The Trustees are most grateful to the whole team for their valuable & dedicated service.

Projects, services and achievements during the year (continued)

Lunch Club

Lunch Club continued to operate during the school holidays offering a mix of sports, crafts and cooking activities, plus puzzles and games followed by a two-course nutritional meal cooked fresh every day. At Easter the school holiday coincided with the bank holiday weekend, so there were only seven days available in the two weeks, but the children enjoyed making Easter-themed hats to take home. The May half-term was also cut short by a bank holiday.

During the summer holidays Lunch Club ran for the full four weeks and included all the usual activities with two workshops; the first on the basics of mushroom growing, which saw the children take home a starter kit of their own and the second on making various shapes out of balloons. There were also more STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering & Mathematics) activities mixed in with the craft activities. The children went to Gulliver's World during the second week and Walton-on-the-Naze on the last day; the latter is always enjoyed although this year they were frustrated by a gale-force wind blowing the water up the beach which meant no paddling; however much fun was had building sandcastles which were decorated with the flags which the children had made.

October half-term ran for the full four days with a mix of activities including making leaf-shaped face masks as a nod to autumn. In February 2025 the half-term holiday saw another four days of sport, crafts and other activities.

Some of the children continued to visit We are GROW (an agroecological farm based at The Totteridge Academy) each week. Garlic and onions were harvested, some of which were used in making food for our Lunch Club. Strawberries were planted and harvested and lots of tomatoes and spinach grown.

Lunch Club and the Trustees would like to thank the Mayor's Kitchen Social, Young Barnet Foundation and others who provide the financial support which enables Lunch Club to continue operating.

Barnet Rail Pastors (BRP)

As previous annual reports have noted, this is the only BCP project that is not run directly from the Rainbow Centre. Instead it takes place on parts of both the Thameslink (TL) line (between Elstree & Borehamwood and West Hampstead) and the Great Northern (GN) line (between Finsbury Park and Stevenage). The BRP team is co-ordinated by Paul Lewis, and they work in very close co-operation with both local station staffs and British Transport Police (BTP).

The principal aim of BRP is to act as a friendly and listening presence for people using the rail network, especially at times when those passengers might be feeling vulnerable or be at risk in some way. During 2024-25, they carried out a total of 36 patrols, with an average of 3 patrols per month – usually 2 patrols per month on the GN route and 1 per month on the TL route.

The Trustees wish to record their grateful thanks for the financial support provided to BRP by Govia Thameslink Railway, without whose support we would be unable to provide this vital service. We also wish to acknowledge the helpful support of the Ascension Trust, who co-ordinate all rail pastor schemes on a national basis.

Mixed martial arts (MMA) training

Sensei Ibush Kabashi is a 5th Dan Jujitsu master who has taught MMA for over 25 years. MMA has recently been described as the fastest-growing sport in the world currently – it comprises boxing, Japanese & Brazilian Jujitsu, judo & wrestling. The training classes continued to be hugely popular throughout the year, especially with the children – Ibush now has some 100 children & young people now registered with his club. The children's classes are free, whilst Ibush charges for his adult classes. Three sessions are run each week – on Mondays, Wednesdays & Fridays.

Projects, services and achievements during the year (continued)

National Football League (NFL) flag football training

This is a new project for BCP that began around May 2023 with initial funding from the NFL Foundation UK, the charitable arm of the NFL within the UK. Using sports coaches from the South London Renegades (a club run by our Director Steve Verrall) and an independent coach called Denapoli Williams, weekly training sessions were run at a number of schools in the borough (see the full list of participating schools on page 5). This sport will feature in the Olympics in Los Angeles in 2028, and it is hoped that at least one player from a local school will be selected to participate in those games.

Peer mentoring

As noted in the introductory paragraph, this is another new venture that began during the year, with initial financial support being provided by the Young Barnet Foundation, for which the Trustees are most grateful. Our peer mentoring program is designed to leverage the wisdom and experience of mature young people to provide guidance, encouragement, and practical assistance to younger peers. Peer mentors are trained on Outcomes Star, a family of evidence-based tools specifically developed to measure and support change. A number of the sports coaches from the South London Renegades were able to offer one-to-one mentoring for some of the young people from our Lunch Club whose needs had been identified. We are already seeing positive outcomes for the young people taking part, with better behaviour at school and at home. Good trusting relationships have been formed and we expect this progress to continue

Other regular services

These include :

- a weekly toddler group attended by between 12 & 14 children and parents on Thursday mornings
- weekly online counselling sessions for a small number of people.

Rainbow Centre bookings

The lease with Barnet Council for the Rainbow Centre is actually held by the Rainbow Centre Users Group (RCUG), a company limited by guarantee with very close ties to BCP. As this company incurs all of the costs of running the Centre (such as utilities, telephone, waste disposal etc.), it also retains the income from any lettings. As noted in last year's report, these bookings have failed to recover to their pre-pandemic levels – at present they consist mainly of the MMA sessions (see above) and a weekly Muslim prayer group each Friday, although the Muslims found other premises to move to shortly after the year-end.

RCUG has experienced much higher energy costs this year and has been supported by payments from BCP, as noted in Note 8 on page 11 of these accounts.

Financial review

In 2024-25, BCP incurred a deficit of £8.6K compared to a smaller deficit of £3.9K in 2023-24. At the balance sheet date, the bank balance stood at £55.9K compared to £58.7K at the previous year-end date. Please refer to the attached detailed accounts for a full overview of the financial results of the last two years.

Going concern basis

The Trustees are of the firm opinion that the charity has adequate resources to continue in operation for the foreseeable future and that is appropriate to prepare the attached financial statements on the going concern basis.

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Trustees' Annual Report for the year ended 31st March 2025

The Trustees wish to offer their heartfelt thanks to the following organisations for their generous support of BCP during the period of this report :

Govia Thameslink Railway	Finchley Progressive Synagogue
Dollis Valley Flexible Fund	Hendon Christian Housing Association
Young Barnet Foundation	The Mayor's Fund for London
Mercers' Company	John Lyon's Charity
NFL Foundation	Barnet Choral Society

Additionally, BCP acknowledges the following organisations who either supported BCP or who worked in partnership with BCP during the last year :

We are GROW	The Felix Project
FareShare London	Rainbow Centre Users Group
Street Games	MMA (North London)
Sport England	London Youth
Trussell Trust	South London Renegades
Ascension Trust	Darul Noor Islamic Centre
British Transport Police	Christmas on Jesus

BCP also wishes to thank the following schools in the Borough for participating in the NFL flag football training programme that was started in this financial year :

Totteridge Academy	East Barnet School
Dwight School	Christ College Finchley
JCoSS	St Mary & St John
St James School	Saracens High School

BCP volunteers

Finally, the Trustees would like to thank all of the volunteers who work tirelessly on behalf of BCP and whose time is of course given freely. Without their hard work & dedication, many of the activities detailed above simply would not be able to take place.

Trustees' Responsibilities in relation to the Financial Statements

The Trustees are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Annual Report and the related Financial Statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards. The law applicable to charities in England and Wales requires the Trustees to prepare Financial Statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the incoming resources and application of resources of the charity for that period. In preparing these Financial Statements, the Trustees are required to :

- Select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently
- Observe the methods and principles of the Charities SORP
- Make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent
- State whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements and
- Prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in business.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy the financial position of the charity and enable them to ascertain to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 1993, the Charity (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 and the provisions of the Constitution. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities. The Trustees are responsible for the maintenance and integrity of the information included on the charity's website.

Approved by the Trustees on 29th September 2025 and signed on their behalf by :

Benaim

Chair

S J Pegum

Treasurer

Barnet Community Projects
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Statement of Financial Activities (SoFA) for the year ended 31st March 2025

	Notes	General Funds (Unrestricted) £	Restricted Funds £	Endowment Funds £	TOTALS THIS YEAR £	Year ended 31.03.24 £
INCOMING RESOURCES						
Grants received	1	3,776	99,507	0	103,283	104,993
Donations received	1	0	8,052	0	8,052	5,958
Other income	1 & 2	1,292	0	0	1,292	248
TOTAL INCOMING RESOURCES		£ 5,068	£ 107,559	£ 0	£ 112,627	£ 111,199
RESOURCES EXPENDED						
<i>Direct Charitable Expenditure</i>						
Direct labour costs (including social security costs)	3	0	82,572	0	82,572	78,224
Other direct expenditure	4	0	28,244	0	28,244	29,444
Insurance premiums paid		0	660	0	660	595
Rent		0	9,212	0	9,212	6,250
		0	120,688	0	120,688	114,513
<i>Indirect Charitable Expenditure</i>						
Depreciation of fixed assets	5	538	0	0	538	542
TOTAL RESOURCES EXPENDED		£ 538	£ 120,688	£ 0	£ 121,226	£ 115,055
Transfers between funds		5,526	(5,526)	0	0	0
NET INCOMING / (OUTGOING) RESOURCES FOR THE YEAR		£ 10,056	£ (18,655)	£ 0	£ (8,599)	£ (3,856)

The Statement of Financial Activities includes all gains & losses for the year. All Incoming Resources and Resources Expended derive from continuing activities. The notes on pages 9 and 10 form part of the Accounts.

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Balance Sheet as at 31st March 2025

	Notes	31.03.25		31.03.24	
		£	£	£	£
FIXED ASSETS					
Historic Cost		17,330		17,330	
Additions in year		0		0	
Less: Accumulated Depreciation	5	<u>(13,924)</u>		<u>(13,386)</u>	
			3,406		3,944
CURRENT ASSETS					
Cash at bank (current account)		55,898		58,721	
Debtors & accrued revenue		0		0	
Prepayments (re insurance premiums)		<u>0</u>		<u>0</u>	
		55,898		58,721	
LESS: CURRENT LIABILITIES - Amounts falling due within one year					
Deferred Income	6	<u>(1,733)</u>		<u>(3,581)</u>	
			(34,058)	(25,239)	(28,820)
NET CURRENT ASSETS					
			21,840		29,901
TOTAL NET ASSETS					
		<u>£ 25,246</u>		<u>£ 33,845</u>	
FUNDS					
Unrestricted Funds					
	7				
Balance as at 1st April 2024		(32,808)		(42,705)	
Net Incoming Resources for the year ended 31 st March 2025		<u>10,056</u>		<u>9,897</u>	
Balance as at 31 st March 2025			(22,752)		(32,808)
Restricted Funds					
	7				
Balance as at 1st April 2024		66,653		80,406	
Net Outgoing Resources for the year ended 31 st March 2025		<u>(18,655)</u>		<u>(13,753)</u>	
Balance as at 31 st March 2025			47,998		66,653
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD					
		<u>£ 25,246</u>		<u>£ 33,845</u>	

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Approved by the Trustees on 29th September 2025 and signed on their behalf by :

M Benaim

 Chair

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 Treasurer

1. Accounting Policies

The principal Accounting Policies are summarised below :

Basis of Accounting

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention with items recognised at cost or transaction value, unless otherwise stated in the relevant notes to these accounts. The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable to the Micro-entities Regime (FRS 105) and with the Charities Act 2011.

Recognition of Income

These are included in the Statement of Financial Activities (SoFA) when the charity becomes entitled to the resources, it is more likely than not that the Trustees will receive the resources and the monetary value can be measured with sufficient reliability. The previous policy was to recognise Grants Received in the Statement of Financial Activities as & when these were received. A change was made in the accounts for 2015-16 to recognise this income as it relates to the periods for which these grant funds are made. All income in 2024-25 that relates to the following financial year is now shown in the Balance Sheet as Deferred Income (see also Note 6). Donations Received and Other Income are recognised in full in the Statement of Financial Activities when they are received.

Offsetting

There has been no offsetting of assets and liabilities, nor income and expenditure.

Liability Recognition

Liabilities are recognised where it is more likely than not there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to pay out resources and the amount of the obligation can be measured with reasonable certainty.

Going Concern Basis

The Trustees have assessed whether the use of the going concern basis is appropriate and have considered possible events or conditions that might cast doubt on the ability of the charity to continue as a going concern. The Trustees have assessed the charity's forecast and projections and have made this assessment for a period of at least one year from the date of approving these financial statements. The Trustees have concluded that the charity has sufficient resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future and consequently it is appropriate to continue to adopt the going concern basis in preparing its financial statements.

2. Other Income

2024-25 2023-24

Other Income is analysed as follows :

Restricted		
Reimbursement by We are GROW of costs of visiting children from Lunch Club	£	<u>0 248</u>
Unrestricted		
Refund from MMA		285
Unidentified receipt		1,007
TOTAL	£	<u>1,292 0</u>

3. Staff Costs & Trustees' Remuneration

No employee received employee benefits (excluding employer pension costs) for the reporting period of more than £60,000 (2023-24 : Nil). None of the Trustees have been paid any remuneration or received any other benefits from any employment with the charity or a related entity.

4. Other Direct Expenditure

Other Direct Expenditure includes the following costs :

	Total	Unrestricted	Restricted
	£	£	£
Professional fees & accountancy costs	1,006	0	1,006
Catering costs	5,438	0	5,438
Printing, postage, stationery & telephone	366	0	366
Training costs	0	0	0
Office expenses (incl. IT costs)	3,542	0	3,542
Travel costs	3,581	0	3,581
Publications & journals	114	0	114
Memberships	440	0	440
Foodbank	4,452	0	4,452
Cleaning & cleaning materials	1,845	0	1,845
All other costs (total)	7,460	0	7,460
TOTAL	£ 28,244	0	28,244

5. Depreciation of Fixed Assets & Capitalisation Threshold

Depreciation is provided on a straight-line basis on the historic purchase price of the charity's Fixed Assets, to write these off over their estimated useful economic lives, as follows :

- IT Equipment - 2 years
- Other Assets - 5 years

Purchases greater than £500 in value are accounted for as Fixed Assets; below that threshold, any expenditure is written off in-year.

6. Deferred Income

As described in Note 1 above, a change in accounting policy was made in 2015-16 to reflect the different funding periods for BCP's Grants Received. The amount shown in the Balance Sheet as Deferred Income resembles the amount of grants actually received in 2024-25 that relate instead to 2025-26. This Deferred Income will form part of BCP's Restricted Funds in the following financial year.

7. Reserves Policy

The previous intention of the Trustees was to hold in Reserves an amount equivalent to approximately six months' worth of expenditures. Following a re-assessment of this policy, the Trustees have now given regard to the possible longer-term liabilities of BCP, especially in the unlikely event of a cessation of the charity's operations. In that regard, the only longer-term liability of BCP would be paying the salaries of the two paid staff members during their contractual notice periods. It is estimated that this cost would not exceed £15,000 and the Trustees are confident that BCP has sufficient reserves in hand at the balance sheet date to cover this cost. Additionally, the Trustees are equally confident that if the accounting policies now adopted regarding Grants Received had been in place since the charity's inception, then the deficit currently showing in the Balance Sheet on Unrestricted Funds would not in fact exist.

8. Related Party Transactions

During the year, the following notional rent payments were made to the Rainbow Centre Users Group towards the costs of operating their premises :

	2024-25	2023-24
Rainbow Centre Users Group	£9,212	£6,250

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Projects, services and achievements during the year

Introduction

The year ended 31st March 2024 has seen BCP continue to concentrate on its core provision of a foodbank for the poorest residents in our local area, a Lunch Club in the school holidays primarily for children in receipt of free school meals, mixed martial arts training for both adults and young people, with new ventures of providing NFL flag football training in local schools as well as a program of peer mentoring support for some of the young people who attend our Lunch Club.

Dollis Valley Angels foodbank

The weekly foodbank continues to be used by an increased number of clients – by the end of the year under review we were distributing to over 60 local families each week. Weekly deliveries (on Wednesdays) continued to be supplied by the Felix Project, a London-based food redistribution charity set up in 2016 to tackle food poverty. We receive two separate deliveries each week – a supply of ambient (i.e. non-chilled) foodstuffs and a newer supply of frozen foods, which has required us to provide additional freezer space to store those supplies. Additional weekly donations were collected from the Barnet Food Hub, a local initiative established by Barnet Together, a collaboration between Inclusion Barnet, Volunteering Barnet, Groundwork London and the Young Barnet Foundation. Sadly we heard after the year-end that the Food Hub would be closing at the end of September 2024, as Barnet Council could no longer afford to fund this non-statutory service.

A food hygiene inspection by Barnet Council in February confirmed our food hygiene rating as 4 which rates as good.

Our dedicated team of foodbank volunteers was led by Sarah Snell, with able support each week from Christine, Jeanette, Karen and Rosie. The Trustees are most grateful to the whole team for their valuable & dedicated service.

Projects, services and achievements during the year (continued)

Lunch Club

Lunch Club continued to operate during the school holidays offering a mix of sports, crafts and cooking activities, plus puzzles and games followed by a two-course nutritional meal cooked fresh every day. At Easter the school holiday coincided with the bank holiday weekend, so there were only seven days available in the two weeks, but the children enjoyed making Easter-themed hats to take home. The May half-term was also cut short by a bank holiday.

During the summer holidays Lunch Club ran for the full four weeks and included all the usual activities with two workshops; the first on the basics of mushroom growing, which saw the children take home a starter kit of their own and the second on making various shapes out of balloons. There were also more STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering & Mathematics) activities mixed in with the craft activities. The children went to Gulliver's World during the second week and Walton-on-the-Naze on the last day; the latter is always enjoyed although this year they were frustrated by a gale-force wind blowing the water up the beach which meant no paddling; however much fun was had building sandcastles which were decorated with the flags which the children had made.

October half-term ran for the full four days with a mix of activities including making leaf-shaped face masks as a nod to autumn. Local school terms finished very late in December 2023, so there was only time for a party with lots of party games and a meal before Christmas and one day after. In February 2024 the half-term holiday saw another four days of sport, crafts and other activities.

Some of the children continued to visit We are GROW (an agroecological farm based at The Totteridge Academy) each week. Garlic and onions were harvested, some of which were used in making food for our Lunch Club. Strawberries were planted and harvested and lots of tomatoes and spinach grown.

Lunch Club and the Trustees would like to thank the Mayor's Kitchen Social, Young Barnet Foundation and others who provide the financial support which enables Lunch Club to continue operating.

Barnet Rail Pastors (BRP)

As previous annual reports have noted, this is the only BCP project that is not run directly from the Rainbow Centre. Instead it takes place on parts of both the Thameslink (TL) line (between Elstree & Borehamwood and West Hampstead) and the Great Northern (GN) line (between Finsbury Park and Stevenage). The BRP team is co-ordinated by Paul Lewis, and they work in very close co-operation with both local station staffs and British Transport Police (BTP).

The principal aim of BRP is to act as a friendly and listening presence for people using the rail network, especially at times when those passengers might be feeling vulnerable or be at risk in some way.

During 2023-24, they carried out a total of 36 patrols, with an average of 3 patrols per month – usually 2 patrols per month on the GN route and 1 per month on the TL route.

The Trustees wish to record their grateful thanks for the financial support provided to BRP by Govia Thameslink Railway, without whose support we would be unable to provide this vital service. We also wish to acknowledge the helpful support of the Ascension Trust, who co-ordinate all rail pastor schemes on a national basis.

Mixed martial arts (MMA) training

Sensei Ibush Kabashi is a 5th Dan Jujitsu master who has taught MMA for over 25 years. MMA has recently been described as the fastest-growing sport in the world currently – it comprises boxing, Japanese & Brazilian Jujitsu, judo & wrestling. The training classes continued to be hugely popular throughout the year, especially with the children – Ibush now has some 100 children & young people now registered with his club. The children's classes are free, whilst Ibush charges for his adult classes. Three sessions are run each week – on Mondays, Wednesdays & Fridays.

Projects, services and achievements during the year (continued)

National Football League (NFL) flag football training

This is a new project for BCP that began around May 2023 with initial funding from the NFL Foundation UK, the charitable arm of the NFL within the UK. Using sports coaches from the South London Renegades (a club run by our Director Steve Verrall) and an independent coach called Denapoli Williams, weekly training sessions were run at a number of schools in the borough (see the full list of participating schools on page 5). This sport will feature in the Olympics in Los Angeles in 2028, and it is hoped that at least one player from a local school will be selected to participate in those games.

Peer mentoring

As noted in the introductory paragraph, this is another new venture that began during the year, with initial financial support being provided by the Young Barnet Foundation, for which the Trustees are most grateful. Our peer mentoring program is designed to leverage the wisdom and experience of mature young people to provide guidance, encouragement, and practical assistance to younger peers. Peer mentors are trained on Outcomes Star, a family of evidence-based tools specifically developed to measure and support change. A number of the sports coaches from the South London Renegades were able to offer one-to-one mentoring for some of the young people from our Lunch Club whose needs had been identified. We are already seeing positive outcomes for the young people taking part, with better behaviour at school and at home. Good trusting relationships have been formed and we expect this progress to continue

Other regular services

These include :

- a weekly toddler group attended by between 12 & 14 children and parents on Thursday mornings
- weekly online counselling sessions for a small number of people.

Rainbow Centre bookings

The lease with Barnet Council for the Rainbow Centre is actually held by the Rainbow Centre Users Group (RCUG), a company limited by guarantee with very close ties to BCP. As this company incurs all of the costs of running the Centre (such as utilities, telephone, waste disposal etc.), it also retains the income from any lettings. As noted in last year's report, these bookings have failed to recover to their pre-pandemic levels – at present they consist mainly of the MMA sessions (see above) and a weekly Muslim prayer group each Friday, although the Muslims found other premises to move to shortly after the year-end.

RCUG has experienced much higher energy costs this year and has been supported by payments from BCP, as noted in Note 8 on page 11 of these accounts.

Financial review

In 2023-24, BCP incurred a deficit of £3.9K compared to a smaller deficit of £1.4K in 2022-23. At the balance sheet date, the bank balance stood at £58.7K compared to £49.1K at the previous year-end date. Please refer to the attached detailed accounts for a full overview of the financial results of the last two years.

Going concern basis

The Trustees are of the firm opinion that the charity has adequate resources to continue in operation for the foreseeable future and that is appropriate to prepare the attached financial statements on the going concern basis.

Barnet Community Projects

Registered Charity No. 1139376

Trustees' Annual Report for the year ended 31st March 2024

The Trustees wish to offer their heartfelt thanks to the following organisations for their generous support of BCP during the period of this report :

Govia Thameslink Railway
Dollis Valley Flexible Fund
Young Barnet Foundation
Mercers' Company
NFL Foundation

Finchley Progressive Synagogue
Hendon Christian Housing Association
The Mayor's Fund for London
John Lyon's Charity
Barnet Choral Society

Additionally, BCP acknowledges the following organisations who either supported BCP or who worked in partnership with BCP during the last year :

We are GROW
FareShare London
Street Games
Sport England
Trussell Trust
Ascension Trust
British Transport Police

The Felix Project
Rainbow Centre Users Group
MMA (North London)
London Youth
South London Renegades
Darul Noor Islamic Centre
Christmas on Jesus

BCP also wishes to thank the following schools in the Borough for participating in the NFL flag football training programme that was started in this financial year :

Totteridge Academy
Dwight School
JCoSS
St James School

East Barnet School
Christ College Finchley
St Mary & St John
Saracens High School

BCP volunteers

Finally, the Trustees would like to thank all of the volunteers who work tirelessly on behalf of BCP and whose time is of course given freely. Without their hard work & dedication, many of the activities detailed above simply would not be able to take place.

Trustees' Responsibilities in relation to the Financial Statements

The Trustees are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Annual Report and the related Financial Statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards. The law applicable to charities in England and Wales requires the Trustees to prepare Financial Statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the incoming resources and application of resources of the charity for that period. In preparing these Financial Statements, the Trustees are required to :

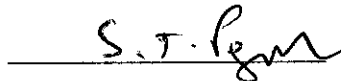
- Select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently
- Observe the methods and principles of the Charities SORP
- Make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent
- State whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements and
- Prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in business.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy the financial position of the charity and enable them to ascertain to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 1993, the Charity (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 and the provisions of the Constitution. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities. The Trustees are responsible for the maintenance and integrity of the information included on the charity's website.

Approved by the Trustees on 19th September 2024 and signed on their behalf by :



Chair



Treasurer

Barnet Community Projects
Registered Charity No. 1139376
Statement of Financial Activities (SoFA) for the year ended 31st March 2024

	Notes	General Funds (Unrestricted) £	Restricted Funds £	Endowment Funds £	TOTALS THIS YEAR £	Year ended 31.03.23 £
INCOMING RESOURCES						
Grants received	1	9,569	95,424	0	104,993	99,148
Donations received	1	3,636	2,322	0	5,958	7,111
Other income	1 & 2	0	248	0	248	0
TOTAL INCOMING RESOURCES		£ 13,205	£ 97,994	£ 0	£ 111,199	£ 106,259
RESOURCES EXPENDED						
<i>Direct Charitable Expenditure</i>						
Direct labour costs (including social security costs)	3	0	78,224	0	78,224	65,054
Other direct expenditure	4	2,171	27,273	0	29,444	32,476
Insurance premiums paid		595	0	0	595	1,418
Rent		0	6,250	0	6,250	7,200
		<u>2,766</u>	<u>111,747</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>114,513</u>	<u>106,148</u>
<i>Indirect Charitable Expenditure</i>						
Depreciation of fixed assets	5	542	0	0	542	1,476
TOTAL RESOURCES EXPENDED		£ 3,308	£ 111,747	£ 0	£ 115,055	£ 107,624
NET INCOMING / (OUTGOING) RESOURCES FOR THE YEAR		£ 9,897	£ (13,753)	£ 0	£ (3,856)	£ (1,365)

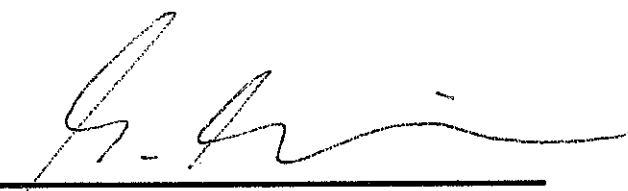
The Statement of Financial Activities includes all gains & losses for the year. All Incoming Resources and Resources Expended derive from continuing activities. The notes on pages 9 and 10 form part of the Accounts.

Barnet Community Projects
Registered Charity No. 1139376
Balance Sheet as at 31st March 2024

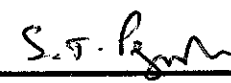
		31.03.24		31.03.23	
	Notes	£	£	£	£
FIXED ASSETS					
Historic Cost		17,330		17,330	
Additions in year		0		0	
Less: Accumulated Depreciation	5	<u>(13,386)</u>		<u>(12,844)</u>	
			3,944		4,486
CURRENT ASSETS					
Cash at bank (current account)		58,721		49,081	
Debtors & accrued revenue		0		226	
Prepayments (re insurance premiums)		<u>0</u>		<u>595</u>	
		58,721		49,902	
LESS: CURRENT LIABILITIES - Amounts falling due within one year					
Deferred Income	6	<u>(3,581)</u>		<u>(3,344)</u>	
			<u>(25,239)</u>		<u>(13,343)</u>
			(28,820)		(16,687)
NET CURRENT ASSETS			29,901		33,215
TOTAL NET ASSETS			<u>£ 33,845</u>		<u>£ 37,701</u>
FUNDS					
Unrestricted Funds					
	7				
Balance as at 1st April 2023		(42,705)		(39,449)	
Net Incoming Resources for the year ended 31 st March 2024		<u>9,897</u>		<u>(3,256)</u>	
Balance as at 31 st March 2024			(32,808)		(42,705)
Restricted Funds					
	7				
Balance as at 1st April 2023		80,406		78,515	
Net Outgoing Resources for the year ended 31 st March 2024		<u>(13,753)</u>		<u>1,891</u>	
Balance as at 31 st March 2024			66,653		80,406
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD			<u>£ 33,845</u>		<u>£ 37,701</u>

The notes on pages 9 and 10 form part of the Accounts.

Approved by the Trustees on 19th September 2024 and signed on their behalf by :



 Chair



 Treasurer

1. Accounting Policies

The principal Accounting Policies are summarised below :

Basis of Accounting

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention with items recognised at cost or transaction value, unless otherwise stated in the relevant notes to these accounts. The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable to the Micro-entities Regime (FRS 105) and with the Charities Act 2011.

Recognition of Income

These are included in the Statement of Financial Activities (SoFA) when the charity becomes entitled to the resources, it is more likely than not that the Trustees will receive the resources and the monetary value can be measured with sufficient reliability. The previous policy was to recognise Grants Received in the Statement of Financial Activities as & when these were received. A change was made in the accounts for 2015-16 to recognise this income as it relates to the periods for which these grant funds are made. All income in 2023-24 that relates to the following financial year is now shown in the Balance Sheet as Deferred Income (see also Note 6). Donations Received and Other Income are recognised in full in the Statement of Financial Activities when they are received.

Offsetting

There has been no offsetting of assets and liabilities, nor income and expenditure.

Liability Recognition

Liabilities are recognised where it is more likely than not there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to pay out resources and the amount of the obligation can be measured with reasonable certainty.

Going Concern Basis

The Trustees have assessed whether the use of the going concern basis is appropriate and have considered possible events or conditions that might cast doubt on the ability of the charity to continue as a going concern. The Trustees have assessed the charity's forecast and projections and have made this assessment for a period of at least one year from the date of approving these financial statements. The Trustees have concluded that the charity has sufficient resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future and consequently it is appropriate to continue to adopt the going concern basis in preparing its financial statements.

2. Other Income

2023-24 2022-23

Other Income is analysed as follows :

Restricted

Reimbursement by We are GROW of costs of visiting children from Lunch Club £ 248 Nil

3. Staff Costs & Trustees' Remuneration

No employee received employee benefits (excluding employer pension costs) for the reporting period of more than £60,000 (2022-23 : Nil). None of the Trustees have been paid any remuneration or received any other benefits from any employment with the charity or a related entity.

4. Other Direct Expenditure

Other Direct Expenditure includes the following costs :

	Total	Unrestricted	Restricted
	£	£	£
Professional fees & accountancy costs	3,691	1,616	2,075
Catering costs	5,897	120	5,777
Barnet Rail Pastors	6,619	0	6,619
Printing, postage, stationery & telephone	272	60	212
Training costs	240	0	240
Office expenses (incl. IT costs)	3,012	254	2,758
Travel costs	2,505	24	2,481
Publications & journals	449	79	370
Memberships	242	0	242
Foodbank	4,452	0	4,452
All other costs (total)	2,065	18	2,047
TOTAL	£ 29,444	2,171	27,273

5. Depreciation of Fixed Assets & Capitalisation Threshold

Depreciation is provided on a straight-line basis on the historic purchase price of the charity's Fixed Assets, to write these off over their estimated useful economic lives, as follows :

- IT Equipment - 2 years
- Other Assets - 5 years

Purchases greater than £500 in value are accounted for as Fixed Assets; below that threshold, any expenditure is written off in-year.

6. Deferred Income

As described in Note 1 above, a change in accounting policy was made in 2015-16 to reflect the different funding periods for BCP's Grants Received. The amount shown in the Balance Sheet as Deferred Income resembles the amount of grants actually received in 2023-24 that relate instead to 2024-25. This Deferred Income will form part of BCP's Restricted Funds in the following financial year.

7. Reserves Policy

The previous intention of the Trustees was to hold in Reserves an amount equivalent to approximately six months' worth of expenditures. Following a re-assessment of this policy, the Trustees have now given regard to the possible longer-term liabilities of BCP, especially in the unlikely event of a cessation of the charity's operations. In that regard, the only longer-term liability of BCP would be paying the salaries of the two paid staff members during their contractual notice periods. It is estimated that this cost would not exceed £15,000 and the Trustees are confident that BCP has sufficient free reserves in hand at the balance sheet date to cover this cost. Additionally, the Trustees are equally confident that if the accounting policies now adopted regarding Grants Received had been in place since the charity's inception, then the deficit currently showing in the Balance Sheet on Unrestricted Funds would not in fact exist.

8. Related Party Transactions

During the year, the following notional payments were made to the Rainbow Centre Users Group towards the costs of operating their premises :

	2023-24	2022-23
Rainbow Centre Users Group	£6,250	£7,200

**Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of
Barnet Community Projects**

I report to the Trustees on my examination of the accounts of Barnet Community Projects for the which are set out on pages 7 to 10.

Responsibilities and Basis of Report

As the Charity Trustees of the Trust, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act"). The Charity Trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under Section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act") and that an independent examination is needed.

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

Independent Examiner's Statement

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


- (1) accounting records were not kept in respect of the Charity as required by section 130 of the Act; or
- (2) the accounts do not accord with those records; or
- (3) the accounts do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a "true and fair view" which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

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

Name :

CHRISTOPHER MORRIS

Signature :



Relevant professional qualification or body :

CHARTERED ACCOUNTANT.

Address :

Newman Morris Chartered Accountants
Wellington House
273-275 High Street
LONDON COLNEY
Herts. AL2 1HA

Date :

30/06/2025.

BARNET COMMUNITY PROJECTS

England & Wales - Charity number 1139376

Accounts

Barnet Community Projects

Registered Charity No. 1138376

Trustees' Annual Report and Accounts for the year ended 31st March 2023

Registered Office : Rainbow Centre, Dollis Valley Drive, BARNET, Herts. EN5 2UN

Charity Name

The full name of the charity is Barnet Community Projects, but it is also referred to by its working name of BCP.

Registered & Operating Addresses

Both the registered & operating addresses of the charity are now c/o the Rainbow Centre, Dollis Valley Drive, BARNET, Herts. EN5 2UN.

Bankers and Examining Accountants

BCP currently banks with TSB plc, PO Box 373, LEEDS LS14 9GQ. Its annual accounts are independently examined by Newman Morris, Wellington House, 273-275 High Street, LONDON COLNEY, Herts. AL2 1HA.

Trustees

The following individuals have served as Trustees during the period covered by this report :

Michael Benaim	Chair
Stephen Pegum	Treasurer
Ken Morton	Secretary
Steve Bull	
Emma Not	

Governing Document

The charity is governed by its Constitution as adopted on 25th September 2010, and as amended on 11th December 2010, as further amended on 25th February 2023.

Charitable Objects for Public Benefit

The main charitable objects of BCP are :

To promote any charitable purpose for the benefit of the community in the London Borough of Barnet as the Trustees see fit, in particular but not exclusively by the following means :

- a) To promote the efficiency & effectiveness of charities and the effective application & use of resources by non-charitable bodies for the public benefit in particular but not exclusively by providing or assisting in the set-up of community projects, supporting their administration and providing support services to them and by facilitating partnership and co-operation in the voluntary sector;
- b) The promotion of the voluntary sector for the public benefit, in particular but not exclusively by the following means :
 - i) Identifying need in the voluntary sector & establishing projects or policies to address them;
 - ii) Liaising between charities, voluntary organisations, the local authority and other groups or organisations on relevant issues that affect members of the community;

Charitable Objects for Public Benefit (continued)

- c) To promote community capacity building for the public benefit, in particular but not limited to young people;
- d) The relief of unemployment for the public benefit;
- e) The advancement of education for the public benefit, including the provision of training, information & advice and promoting opportunities for members of the community to develop new skills & knowledge;
- f) To further for the benefit of members of the community without distinction of sex, sexual orientation, race or political, religious or other opinions by associating together members of the community, local authorities, voluntary & other organisations in a common effort to provide facilities in the interests of social welfare for recreation and other leisure-time occupations with the objective of improving the conditions of life of community members.

Where in the views of the Trustees it is expedient in the interests of the charity, the Trustees may support & encourage overseas partnership projects which are youth- and community -focused, in such countries of the world as they see fit.

Projects, services and achievements during the year.

Introduction

With all of the problems of the Covid pandemic now well behind it, BCP has during the year ended 31st March 2023 continued to focus on its core areas of delivery, namely a local food distribution network, a Lunch Club for younger children in the school holidays, healthy activities for local young people (including mixed martial arts training), as well as providing a useful meeting space available for hire to local residents.

Dolls Valley Angels foodbank

At the start of the year in review, our weekly foodbank was giving out food bags to some 60 local families each week, which amounted to around 180 children and adults in total. By the end of the year, the number of families receiving these donations had increased to around 70. By March 2023, we were receiving between two & five new referrals to this service each week, with other recipients indicating their withdrawal from this program as their personal circumstances improved.

Weekly deliveries (on Wednesdays) continued to be supplied by the Felix Project, a London-based food redistribution charity set up in 2016 to tackle food poverty. National statistics currently indicate that 4.7 million adults in the United Kingdom struggle to afford to eat every day, while 2 million children are at risk of missing their next meal. Additional weekly donations were received from the Barnet Food Hub, a local initiative established by Barnet Together, a collaboration between Inclusion Barnet, Volunteering Barnet, Groundwork London and the Young Barnet Foundation. The food bags are prepared on Wednesday and are collected by our clients on Thursday mornings.

Our dedicated team of foodbank helpers was led by Sarah Snell, with able support each week from several other volunteers. The Trustees are most grateful to the whole team for their valuable & dedicated service.

Lunch Club

Lunch Club was very much back to normal this year. We ran two weeks of four days each for Easter, with our usual outdoor sports activities plus a creative/craft activity and a cooking session, which for half of the days provided part of lunch. We also had games, puzzles, colouring, jigsaws and other activities such as table tennis, pool and Connect 4 inside. On one day we ran a Pilates session for the children and during the second week the Flying Seagulls entertained us.

The summer half-term only ran for three days, as there was an extra Bank Holiday on the Thursday due to the Coronation, so for one of the craft activities the children made bunting to hang in their windows.

Towards the end of the summer term we started going to GROW (an agroecological farm based at The Totteridge Academy) once a week with a few of the children and planted and cared for various crops in our own bed. We grew tomatoes, beans, strawberries, courgettes and squash, herbs and some leafy vegetables. Later in the year we planted onions, garlic and broad beans to overwinter, although sadly the beans did not survive the cold weather! We continue to visit GROW most weeks.

Projects, services and achievements during the year (continued)

Lunch Club (continued)

During the summer holidays we ran four days a week for four weeks following our usual pattern. On three Wednesdays a local group ran a disco session, giving the children the opportunity to practise their DJing skills. We had a mosaic workshop one day, followed by a grouting session once the mosaics had dried. We also took two trips: one to Gulliver's World, near Milton Keynes and the second one our annual trip to Walton-on-the-Naze with a BBQ lunch on the beach.

For the October half-term, Lunch Club operated for four days and along with our usual array of activities we had a special activity making volcanoes which were then painted and finally we made them 'explode'; we also looked at some rock samples and smashed open geodes to find the crystals inside. We also ran the mosaic workshop again, as the children really enjoy this activity, based around flags of the world.

In December we organised two days for the children; the first day there were various craft activities making bunting, baubles, cards and snowflakes. We again were entertained by the Flying Seagulls on the second day. At the end of that session the children were able to take a present home with them, kindly donated by Young Barnet Foundation (YBF).

In February 2023, Lunch Club ran four days of activities and lunches during half-term. We are trying to include some STEM (that is science, technology, engineering & mathematics) activities in our offer and during this week we used a kit to make crystals which were checked daily and eventually were ready to take home in April.

Lunch Club operates with financial support from the Mayor's Kitchen Social Fund and particularly from Young Barnet Foundation - the Trustees are very grateful to both organisations for their support.

Rainbow Money Advice (RMA)

Looking back over 2022/23, this year has proved to have been very difficult for our RMA service, for a number of reasons. We had recruited two new volunteer money advisers in the early part of the year and these individuals were being trained up by the service manager Stuart Goodman. However, by September 2022 and for different reasons they both had to withdraw from this project. Sadly in earlier years this was not the only occasion when new volunteers left us before they had fully completed their training.

Partly as a result of the above issues the Trustees reluctantly decided to close this service down - this was a very difficult decision given the ongoing cost-of-living crisis in the UK at the time. Prior to its closure, RMA undertook 86 client interviews during the year, bringing the overall total number of interviews to March 2023 up to 1,039. In financial terms RMA saved its clients some £63K in the year, with overall savings during the lifetime of the service to some £240K.

The Trustees wish to record their formal thanks to both Stuart Goodman and Fanta Sheriff for all their hard work during the year and wish them every success with their future activities.

Barnet Rail Pastors (BRP)

As noted in previous annual reports, this is the only BCP project that is not run directly from the Rainbow Centre. Instead it takes place on parts of both the Thameslink (TL) line (between Elstree & Borehamwood and West Hampstead) and the Great Northern (GN) line (between Finsbury Park and Stevenage). The BRP team is co-ordinated by Paul Lewis and currently comprises 12 volunteers in total. They work in close co-operation with local station staff and British Transport Police (BTP).

The principal aim of BRP is to act as a friendly and listening presence for people using the rail network, especially at times when those passengers might be feeling vulnerable or be at risk in some way. In one specific incident at St. Albans station in October, two of the team definitely persuaded a suicidal lady not to carry out her stated intentions. During 2022/23, they carried out a total of 36 patrols, with an average of 3 patrols per month - usually 2 patrols per month on the GN route and 1 per month on the TL route.

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Mixed martial arts (MMA) training

Sensei Ibush Kabashi is a 5th Dan Jujitsu master who has taught MMA for over 25 years. His MMA training classes continued to be hugely popular throughout the year, especially with the children - some weeks there would be around 60 children & young people in attendance. The children's classes are free and Ibush charges for his adult classes. Three sessions are run each week - on Mondays, Wednesdays & Fridays. Additionally on Saturdays Ibush runs a women's self-defence class for a smaller group.

Particularly for the children & young people. MMA training fosters a great sense of discipline, as well as introducing a fitness regime for all participants. Some of Ibush's older students have gone on to win awards at national competitions.

Projects, services and achievements during the year (continued)

Other regular services

These include :

- a weekly toddler group attended by between 12 & 14 children and parents on Thursday mornings
- weekly online counselling sessions for a small number of people.

Rainbow Centre bookings

The lease with Barnet Council for the Rainbow Centre is actually held by the Rainbow Centre Users Group (RCUG), a company limited by guarantee with very close ties to BCP. AS this body incurs all of the costs of running the Centre (such as utilities, telephone, waste disposal etc.), it also retains all of the income from lettings. As noted in last year's report, these have failed to recover to their pre-pandemic levels – at present they consist mainly of the MMA sessions (see above) and a weekly Muslim prayer group each Friday, together with occasional party bookings.

RCUG has experienced much higher energy costs this year and has been supported by payments from BCP, as noted in Note 8 on page 9 of these accounts.

Financial review

In 2022/23, BCP incurred a small deficit of £1.4K compared to a surplus of £5.5K in 2021/22. At the balance sheet date, the bank balance stood at £49.1K compared to £59.6K at the previous year-end date. Please refer to the attached detailed accounts for a full overview of the financial results of the last two years.

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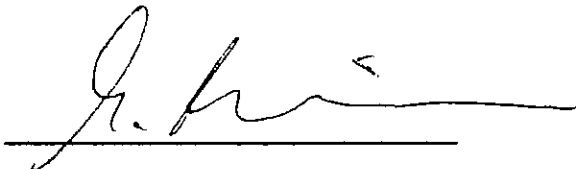
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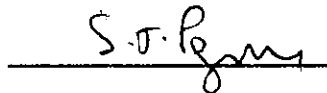
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Approved by the Trustees on 26th September 2023 and signed on their behalf by :



Chair



Treasurer

Barnet Community Projects
Registered Charity No. 1139376
Statement of Financial Activities (SoFA) for the year ended 31st March 2023

	Notes	General Funds (Unrestricted) £	Restricted Funds £	Endowment Funds £	TOTALS THIS YEAR £	Year ended 31.03.22 £
INCOMING RESOURCES						
Grants received	1	2,815	96,333	0	99,148	112,006
Donations received	1	50	7,061	0	7,111	150
Other income	1 & 2	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL INCOMING RESOURCES		£ 2,865	£ 103,394	£ 0	£ 106,259	£ 112,156
RESOURCES EXPENDED						
<i>Direct Charitable Expenditure</i>						
Direct labour costs (Including social security costs)	3	0	65,054	0	65,054	69,655
Other direct expenditure	4	3,589	28,887	0	32,476	30,041
Insurance premiums paid		1,056	362	0	1,418	1,235
Rent		0	7,200	0	7,200	4,250
		4,645	101,503	0	106,148	105,181
<i>Indirect Charitable Expenditure</i>						
Depreciation of fixed assets	5	1,476	0	0	1,476	1,476
TOTAL RESOURCES EXPENDED		£ 6,121	£ 101,503	£ 0	£ 107,624	106,657
NET INCOMING / (OUTGOING) RESOURCES FOR THE YEAR		£ (3,256)	£ 1,891	£ 0	£ (1,365)	£ 5,499

The Statement of Financial Activities includes all gains & losses for the year. All Incoming Resources and Resources Expended derive from continuing activities. The notes on pages 8 and 9 form part of the Accounts.

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Balance Sheet as at 31st March 2023

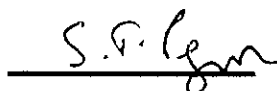
		31.03.23		31.03.22	
	Notes	£	£	£	£
FIXED ASSETS					
Historic Cost		17,330		14,225	
Additions in year		0		3,105	
Less: Accumulated Depreciation	5	<u>(12,844)</u>		<u>(11,368)</u>	
			4,486		5,962
CURRENT ASSETS					
Cash at bank (current account)		49,081		59,566	
Debtors & accrued revenue		226		48	
Prepayments (re insurance premiums)		<u>595</u>		<u>82</u>	
		49,902		59,696	
LESS: CURRENT LIABILITIES - Amounts falling due within one year					
Deferred Income	6	<u>(3,344)</u>		<u>(6,782)</u>	
			(16,687)		(26,592)
NET CURRENT ASSETS					
			33,215		33,104
TOTAL NET ASSETS					
		£	<u>37,701</u>	£	<u>39,066</u>
FUNDS					
Unrestricted Funds					
	7				
Balance as at 1st April 2022		(39,449)		(27,647)	
Net Outgoing Resources for the year ended 31 st March 2023		<u>(3,256)</u>		<u>(11,802)</u>	
Balance as at 31 st March 2023			(42,705)		(39,449)
Restricted Funds					
	7				
Balance as at 1st April 2022		78,515		61,214	
Net Incoming Resources for the year ended 31 st March 2023		<u>1,891</u>		<u>17,301</u>	
Balance as at 31 st March 2023			80,406		78,515
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD					
		£	<u>37,701</u>	£	<u>39,066</u>

The notes on pages 9 and 10 form part of the Accounts.

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1. Accounting Policies

The principal Accounting Policies are summarised below :

Basis of Accounting

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention with items recognised at cost or transaction value, unless otherwise stated in the relevant notes to these accounts. The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable to the Mikro-entities Regime (FRS 105) and with the Charities Act 2011.

Recognition of Income

These are included in the Statement of Financial Activities (SoFA) when the charity becomes entitled to the resources, it is more likely than not that the Trustees will receive the resources and the monetary value can be measured with sufficient reliability. The previous policy was to recognise Grants Received in the Statement of Financial Activities as & when these were received. A change was made in the accounts for 2015-16 to recognise this income as it relates to the periods for which these grant funds are made. All income in 2021-22 that relates to the following financial year is now shown in the Balance Sheet as Deferred Income (see also Note 6). Donations Received and Other Income are recognised in full in the Statement of Financial Activities when they are received.

Offsetting

There has been no offsetting of assets and liabilities, nor income and expenditure.

Liability Recognition

Liabilities are recognised where it is more likely than not there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to pay out resources and the amount of the obligation can be measured with reasonable certainty.

Going Concern Basis

The Trustees have assessed whether the use of the going concern basis is appropriate and have considered possible events or conditions that might cast doubt on the ability of the charity to continue as a going concern. The Trustees have assessed the charity's forecast and projections and have made this assessment for a period of at least one year from the date of approving these financial statements. The Trustees have concluded that the charity has sufficient resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future and consequently it is appropriate to continue to adopt the going concern basis in preparing its financial statements.

2. Other Income

There was no Other Income received in 2022-23 (2021-22 : Nil)

3. Staff Costs & Trustees' Remuneration

No employee received employee benefits (excluding employer pension costs) for the reporting period of more than £60,000 (2021-22 : Nil). None of the Trustees have been paid any remuneration or received any other benefits from any employment with the charity or a related entity.

4. Other Direct Expenditure

	Total	Unrestricted	Restricted
Other Direct Expenditure includes the following costs :	£	£	£
Cleaning & cleaning materials	2,295	0	2,295
Professional fees & accountancy costs	1,926	1,926	0
Catering costs	6,458	40	6,458
Barnet Rail Pastors	7,244	0	7,244
Purchases of white goods for clients	1,602	0	1,602
Printing, postage, stationery & telephone	856	407	449
Repairs & maintenance	902	150	752
Training costs	1,267	0	1,267
Office expenses (incl. IT costs)	757	334	423
Travel costs	2,612	55	2,557
Publications & Journals	345	312	33
Memberships	1,175	176	999
All other costs (total)	4,997	189	4,808
TOTAL	£ 32,476	3,589	28,887

5. Depreciation of Fixed Assets & Capitalisation Threshold

Depreciation is provided on a straight-line basis on the historic purchase price of the charity's Fixed Assets, to write these off over their estimated useful economic lives, as follows :

- IT Equipment - 2 years
- Other Assets - 5 years

Purchases greater than £500 in value are accounted for as Fixed Assets; below that threshold, any expenditure is written off in-year.

6. Deferred Income

As described in Note 1 above, a change in accounting policy was made in 2015-16 to reflect the different funding periods for BCP's Grants Received. The amount shown in the Balance Sheet as Deferred Income resembles the amount of grants actually received in 2022-23 that relate instead to 2023-24. This Deferred Income will form part of BCP's Restricted Funds in the following financial year.

7. Reserves Policy

The previous intention of the Trustees was to hold in Reserves an amount equivalent to approximately six months' worth of expenditures. Following a re-assessment of this policy, the Trustees have now given regard to the possible longer-term liabilities of BCP, especially in the unlikely event of a cessation of the charity's operations. In that regard, the only longer-term liability of BCP would be paying the salaries of the two paid staff members during their contractual notice periods. It is estimated that this cost would not exceed £15,000 and the Trustees are confident that BCP has sufficient free reserves in hand at the balance sheet date to cover this cost. Additionally, the Trustees are equally confident that if the accounting policies now adopted regarding Grants Received had been in place since the charity's inception, then the deficit currently showing in the Balance Sheet on Unrestricted Funds would not in fact exist.

8. Related Party Transactions

During the year, the following notional payments were made to the Rainbow Centre Users Group towards the costs of operating their premises :

	2022-23	2021-22
Rainbow Centre Users Group	£7,200	£4,250

**Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of
Barnet Community Projects**

I report to the Trustees on my examination of the accounts of Barnet Community Projects for the which are set out on pages 6 to 9.

Responsibilities and Basis of Report

As the Charity Trustees of the Trust, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act"). The Charity Trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under Section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act") and that an independent examination is needed.

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

Independent Examiner's Statement

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

- (1) accounting records were not kept in respect of the Charity as required by section 130 of the Act; or
- (2) the accounts do not accord with those records; or
- (3) the accounts do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a "true and fair view" which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

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

Name :

CHRISTOPHER MORRIS

Signature :



Relevant professional qualification or body :

CHARTERED ACCOUNTANT

Address :

Newman Morris Chartered Accountants
Wellington House
273-275 High Street
LONDON COLNEY
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Date :

12/12/2023

BARNET COMMUNITY PROJECTS

England & Wales - Charity number 1139376

Accounts

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Trustees' Annual Report and Accounts for the year ended 31st March 2022

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Charity Name

The full name of the charity is Barnet Community Projects, but it is also referred to by its working name of BCP.

Registered & Operating Addresses

Both the registered & operating addresses of the charity are now c/o the Rainbow Centre, Dollis Valley Drive, BARNET, Herts. EN5 2UN.

Bankers and Examining Accountants

BCP currently banks with TSB plc, PO Box 373, LEEDS LS14 9GQ. Its annual accounts are independently examined by Newman Morris, Wellington House, 273-275 High Street, LONDON COLNEY, Herts. AL2 1HA.

Trustees

The following individuals have served as Trustees during the period covered by this report :

Michael Benaim	Chair
Stephen Pegum	Treasurer
Ken Morton	Secretary
Steve Bull	
Emma Not	

Governing Document

The charity is governed by its Constitution as adopted on 25th September 2010, and as amended on 11th December 2010.

Charitable Objects for Public Benefit

The main charitable objects of BCP are :

To promote any charitable purpose for the benefit of the community in the London Borough of Barnet as the Trustees see fit, in particular but not exclusively by the following means :

- a) To promote the efficiency & effectiveness of charities and the effective application & use of resources by non-charitable bodies for the public benefit in particular but not exclusively by providing or assisting in the set-up of community projects, supporting their administration and providing support services to them and by facilitating partnership and co-operation in the voluntary sector;
- b) The promotion of the voluntary sector for the public benefit, in particular but not exclusively by the following means :
 - i) Identifying need in the voluntary sector & establishing projects or policies to address them;
 - ii) Liaising between charities, voluntary organisations, the local authority and other groups or organisations on relevant issues that affect members of the community;

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Charitable Objects for Public Benefit (continued)

- c) To promote community capacity building for the public benefit, in particular but not limited to young people;
- d) The relief of unemployment for the public benefit;
- e) The advancement of education for the public benefit, including the provision of training, information & advice and promoting opportunities for members of the community to develop new skills & knowledge;
- f) To further for the benefit of members of the community without distinction of sex, sexual orientation, race or political, religious or other opinions by associating together members of the community, local authorities, voluntary & other organisations in a common effort to provide facilities in the interests of social welfare for recreation and other leisure-time occupations with the objective of improving the conditions of life of community members.

Where in the views of the Trustees it is expedient in the interests of the charity, the Trustees may support & encourage overseas partnership projects which are youth- and community -focused, in such countries of the world as they see fit.

Projects, services and achievements during the year

Introduction

In the year ended 31st March 2022 BCP continued to focus on its core areas of delivery, namely a local food distribution network, a Lunch Club for younger children in the school holidays, healthy activities for local young people (including mixed martial arts training and a weekly youth club) and a money advice & debt counselling service for Barnet borough residents.

Easing of coronavirus pandemic restrictions

With the Government ending all pandemic restrictions in mid-May 2021, BCP was able for the first time in well over two years to fully operate all of its main services & projects, as noted above. The financial implications of this increased level of activities are noted in greater detail later on in this report.

Dollis Valley Angels foodbank

Despite all of the former pandemic restrictions, BCP was able to provide this important weekly service throughout the whole of 2021-22. The level of demand continued to grow during the year, as local families increasingly felt the adverse impact of certain aspects of the wider UK economy. In the year in review we gave out food bags to some 60 local families each week, which amounted to around 180 children and adults in total. During the year we started building up a store of tinned & dried goods, which were used to supplement the weekly bags on those occasions when the food deliveries from the Felix Project were somewhat reduced. Our dedicated team of foodbank volunteers was led by Sarah Snell with able support each week from her team of local ladies. In addition to the Felix deliveries, we also got food donations from the Barnet Food hub (on Mondays) and a local couple brought in fresh fruit & vegetables every Wednesday. They are adamant that they do not require any public recognition but we are nonetheless most grateful for their kindness.

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Projects, services and achievements during the year (continued)

Lunch Club

We continued to operate Lunch Club with minor changes to comply with the then current Covid advice. In April we ran two five-day weeks for Easter but with only one creative/food activity held outside and lots of outside sports activities. The first Friday was spent at the park doing team sports and the second at GROW's agroecological farm at The Totteridge Academy. Children were given a two-course lunch to take home.

The summer half-term had a slow start as the nail bar Dollis Dolls had organised a trip and this took many of our children away. We were able to run two indoor activities, well-spaced, and also the usual outdoor activities. Lunch was eaten at the Centre with lower numbers round each table. On the Friday we took a picnic with us on our visit to GROW; we are working on extending our work with GROW. During the summer holidays we ran four days a week for four weeks; we introduced a second earlier session each day, from 9.30am to 11.30am, focussing on skills in football, hockey and basketball. This was followed by our normal mixed sport activities, plus a creative and a food activity each day. The sports sessions were facilitated by volunteers from the American Football team, the South London Renegades, which our Director Steve Verrall helps to run. Lunches were eaten at the Centre. We had outings to Jump-In (trampolining) in Borehamwood, Walton-on-the-Naze with a BBQ lunch on the beach, and Go-Ape at Alexandra Park.

For the October half-term, Lunch Club operated for five days with the Friday being a trip to the Pumpkin Patch in Arkley to see pumpkins growing, carve pumpkins and, after a picnic lunch, ice cream, which is made at the farm. Usual activities took place on the other days and lunches were eaten at the Centre. In December we organised two days for the children, taking them bowling with lunch on one day and then we had a party at the Centre with lots of party games, take-away pizzas and presents kindly donated by Young Barnet Foundation (YBF). 2022 started for Lunch Club in February with four days of activities and lunches.

We continue to operate Lunch Club with financial support from the Mayor's Kitchen Social and YBF for which we are very grateful. We also have to thank our volunteers, especially the Renegades who run our sport activity sessions and have offered peer mentoring to some of the children who attend Lunch Club.

Rainbow Money Advice (RMA)

As noted in last year's report, throughout the pandemic period RMA was able to continue providing its services by going wholly online, using both video conferencing and telephone conversations. This service continued to be provided online during 2021/22, with only very occasional face-to-face interviews. RMA is run by an experienced money advisor Stuart Goodman, who is now a fully-qualified member of the Institute of Money Advisers. He was ably supported in this important work by Fanta Sheriff. This service is provided to clients totally free of charge and is both confidential and non-judgmental. It provides exceptional quality support to some of the most vulnerable residents in the local community.

During 2021/22, a total of 121 client interviews were held, bringing the overall total number of interviews to March 2022 up to 941. A further 16 new clients were taken on during the financial year, bringing the total cumulative number of new clients up to 197. New clients mainly heard about our service from family & friends. Referrals to RMA also came from the Barnet Wellbeing Hub and other local agencies.

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Projects, services and achievements during the year (continued)

Rainbow Money Advice (RMA) (continued)

RMA is authorised by the Financial Conduct Authority (FCA) and is affiliated to Community Money Advice (CMA). Additionally it maintains informal links with other local & national organisations, including CommUNITY Barnet, 4 in 10 (a London Child Poverty umbrella group), the Institute of Money Advisers and the National Association of Welfare Rights Advisers.

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In early 2022, Ibush started providing self defence classes for women on Saturday afternoons, with between 4 and 6 women attending each week.

Other services

These included :

- a weekly toddler group attended by between 12 & 14 children and parents
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Projects, services and achievements during the year.(continued)

Rainbow Centre bookings

Sadly the level of bookings at the Centre have yet to recover to their pre-pandemic levels. The three main bookings throughout the year were MMA (as noted above), a Muslim prayer group session every Friday and a weekly nail bar run by Dollis Dolls (part of the Art Against Knives charity).

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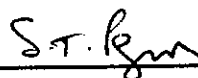
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Secretary



Treasurer

Barnet Community Projects
Registered Charity No. 1139376
Statement of Financial Activities (SoFA) for the year ended 31st March 2022

	Notes	General Funds (Unrestricted) £	Restricted Funds £	Endowment Funds £	TOTALS THIS YEAR £	Year ended 31.03.21 £
INCOMING RESOURCES						
Grants received	1	5,531	106,475	0	112,006	92,224
Donations received	1	50	100	0	150	4,059
Other Income	1 & 2	0	0	0	0	258
TOTAL INCOMING RESOURCES		£ 5,581	£ 106,575	£ 0	£ 112,156	£ 96,541
RESOURCES EXPENDED						
<i>Direct Charitable Expenditure</i>						
Direct labour costs (including social security costs)	3	13,273	56,382	0	69,655	59,840
Other direct expenditure	4	2,634	27,407	0	30,041	22,112
Insurance premiums paid		0	1,235	0	1,235	1,129
Rent and rates		0	4,250	0	4,250	1,000
		<u>15,907</u>	<u>89,274</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>105,181</u>	<u>84,081</u>
<i>Indirect Charitable Expenditure</i>						
Depreciation of fixed assets	5	1,476	0	0	1,476	295
TOTAL RESOURCES EXPENDED		£ 17,383	£ 89,274	£ 0	£ 106,657	£ 84,376
NET INCOMING / (OUTGOING) RESOURCES FOR THE YEAR		£ (11,802)	£ 17,301	£ 0	£ 5,499	£ 12,165

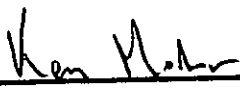
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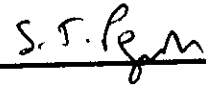
Barnet Community Projects
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Balance Sheet as at 31st March 2022

	Notes	31.03.22		31.03.21	
		£	£	£	£
FIXED ASSETS					
Historic Cost		14,225		12,755	
Additions in year		3,105		1,470	
Less: Accumulated Depreciation	5	<u>(11,368)</u>	5,962	<u>(9,892)</u>	4,333
CURRENT ASSETS					
Cash at bank (current account)		59,566		59,940	
Debtors & accrued revenue		48		8,442	
Prepayments (re insurance premiums)		<u>82</u>		<u>0</u>	
		59,696		68,382	
LESS: CURRENT LIABILITIES - Amounts falling due within one year					
Deferred Income	6	<u>(6,782)</u>		<u>(2,422)</u>	
		<u>(19,810)</u>	(26,592)	<u>(36,726)</u>	(39,148)
NET CURRENT ASSETS					
			33,104		29,234
TOTAL NET ASSETS					
		<u>£ 39,066</u>		<u>£ 33,567</u>	
FUNDS					
Unrestricted Funds					
	7				
Balance as at 1st April 2021		(27,647)		(28,823)	
Net Outgoing Resources for the year ended 31 st March 2022		<u>(11,802)</u>		<u>1,176</u>	
Balance as at 31 st March 2022			(39,449)		(27,647)
Restricted Funds					
	7				
Balance as at 1st April 2021		61,214		50,225	
Net Incoming Resources for the year ended 31 st March 2021		<u>17,301</u>		<u>10,989</u>	
Balance as at 31 st March 2022			78,515		61,214
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD					
		<u>£ 39,066</u>		<u>£ 33,567</u>	

The notes on pages 9 and 10 form part of the Accounts.

Approved by the Trustees on 26th January 2023 and signed on their behalf by :


Secretary


Treasurer

1. Accounting Policies

The principal Accounting Policies are summarised below :

Basis of Accounting

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention with items recognised at cost or transaction value, unless otherwise stated in the relevant notes to these accounts. The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable to the Micro-entities Regime (FRS 105) and with the Charities Act 2011.

Recognition of Income

These are included in the Statement of Financial Activities (SoFA) when the charity becomes entitled to the resources, it is more likely than not that the Trustees will receive the resources and the monetary value can be measured with sufficient reliability. The previous policy was to recognise Grants Received in the Statement of Financial Activities as & when these were received. A change was made in the accounts for 2015-16 to recognise this income as it relates to the periods for which these grant funds are made. All income in 2021-22 that relates to the following financial year is now shown in the Balance Sheet as Deferred Income (see also Note 6). Donations Received and Other Income are recognised in full in the Statement of Financial Activities when they are received.

Offsetting

There has been no offsetting of assets and liabilities, nor income and expenditure.

Liability Recognition

Liabilities are recognised where it is more likely than not there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to pay out resources and the amount of the obligation can be measured with reasonable certainty.

Going Concern Basis

The Trustees have assessed whether the use of the going concern basis is appropriate and have considered possible events or conditions that might cast doubt on the ability of the charity to continue as a going concern. As explained in the Trustees' Annual Report, the easing of restrictions relating to Covid-19 in May 2021 meant that most of BCP's operations have resumed and our financial situation was only marginally affected. The Trustees have assessed the charity's forecast and projections and have made this assessment for a period of at least one year from the date of approving these financial statements. The Trustees have concluded that the charity has sufficient resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future and consequently it is appropriate to continue to adopt the going concern basis in preparing its financial statements.

2. Other Income

There was no Other Income received in 2021-22 (2020-21 : £258)

3. Staff Costs & Trustees' Remuneration

No employee received employee benefits (excluding employer pension costs) for the reporting period of more than £60,000 (2020-21 : Nil). None of the Trustees have been paid any remuneration or received any other benefits from any employment with the charity or a related entity.

4. Other Direct Expenditure

Other Direct Expenditure includes the following costs :

	Total	Unrestricted	Restricted
	£	£	£
Cleaning & cleaning materials	1,922	0	1,922
Professional fees & accountancy costs	1,631	1,400	231
Catering costs	5,245	0	5,245
Barnet Rail Pastors	6,102	0	6,102
Printing, postage, stationery & telephone	1,016	181	835
Repairs & maintenance	570	0	570
Training costs	514	0	514
Office expenses (incl. IT costs)	574	208	366
Travel costs	2,404	67	2,337
Publicity & advertising	1,128	68	1,060
Publications & journals	445	425	20
Memberships	1,127	131	996
All other costs (total)	7,363	154	7,209
TOTAL	£ 30,041	2,634	27,407

5. Depreciation of Fixed Assets & Capitalisation Threshold

Depreciation is provided on a straight-line basis on the historic purchase price of the charity's Fixed Assets, to write these off over their estimated useful economic lives, as follows :

- IT Equipment - 2 years
- Other Assets - 5 years

Purchases greater than £500 in value are accounted for as Fixed Assets; below that threshold, any expenditure is written off in-year.

6. Deferred Income

As described in Note 1 above, a change in accounting policy was made in 2015-16 to reflect the different funding periods for BCP's Grants Received. The amount shown in the Balance Sheet as Deferred Income resembles the amount of grants actually received in 2021-22 that relate instead to 2022-23. This Deferred Income will form part of BCP's Restricted Funds in the following financial year.

7. Reserves Policy

The previous intention of the Trustees was to hold in Reserves an amount equivalent to approximately six months' worth of expenditures. Following a re-assessment of this policy, the Trustees have now given regard to the possible longer-term liabilities of BCP, especially in the unlikely event of a cessation of the charity's operations. In that regard, the only longer-term liability of BCP would be paying the salary of the Director during his contractual notice period, the Director being the only salaried employee of BCP. It is estimated that this cost would not exceed £10,000 and the Trustees are confident that BCP has sufficient free reserves in hand at the balance sheet date to cover this cost. Additionally, the Trustees are equally confident that if the accounting policies now adopted regarding Grants Received had been in place since the charity's inception, then the deficit currently showing in the Balance Sheet on Unrestricted Funds would not in fact exist.

8. Related Party Transactions

During the year, the following notional payments were made to the Rainbow Centre Users Group towards the rent for operating in their premises :

	2021-22	2020-21
Rainbow Centre Users Group	£4,250	£1,000

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Barnet Community Projects

I report on the accounts of Barnet Community Projects for the year ended 31st March 2022, which are set out on pages 1 to 10.

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 period under Section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 (the Charities Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

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 Independent Examiner's Report

My examination was carried out in accordance with 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 Report to the Trustees of
Barnet Community Projects**

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:

- to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; and
- to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities Act 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.

Name :

CHRISTOPHER MORRIS

Signature :

CS Morris

Relevant professional qualification or body :

CHARTERED ACCOUNTANT.

Address :

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Wellington House
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Date :

30TH JANUARY 2023.

BARNET COMMUNITY PROJECTS

England & Wales - Charity number 1139376

Accounts

Barnet Community Projects

Registered Charity No. 1139376

Trustees' Annual Report and Accounts for the year ended 31st March 2021

Registered Office : Rainbow Centre, Dollis Valley Drive, BARNET, Herts. EN5 2JN

Charity Name

The full name of the charity is Barnet Community Projects, but it is also referred to by its working name of BCP.

Registered & Operating Addresses

Both the registered & operating addresses of the charity are now c/o the Rainbow Centre, Dollis Valley Drive, BARNET, Herts. EN5 2UN.

Bankers and Examining Accountants

BCP currently banks with TSB plc, PO Box 373, LEEDS LS14 9GQ. Its annual accounts are independently examined by Newman Morris, Wellington House, 273-275 High Street, LONDON COLNEY, Herts. AL2 1HA.

Trustees

The following individuals have served as Trustees during the period covered by this report :

Michael Benaim	Chair
Stephen Pegum	Treasurer
Ken Morton	Secretary
Steve Bull	
Emma Not	Appointed 5 th May 2020

Governing Document

The charity is governed by its Constitution as adopted on 25th September 2010, and as amended on 11th December 2010.

Charitable Objects for Public Benefit

The main charitable objects of BCP are :

To promote any charitable purpose for the benefit of the community in the London Borough of Barnet as the Trustees see fit, in particular but not exclusively by the following means :

- a) To promote the efficiency & effectiveness of charities and the effective application & use of resources by non-charitable bodies for the public benefit in particular but not exclusively by providing or assisting in the set-up of community projects, supporting their administration and providing support services to them and by facilitating partnership and co-operation in the voluntary sector;
- b) The promotion of the voluntary sector for the public benefit, in particular but not exclusively by the following means :
 - i) Identifying need in the voluntary sector & establishing projects or policies to address them;
 - ii) Liaising between charities, voluntary organisations, the local authority and other groups or organisations on relevant issues that affect members of the community;

Charitable Objects for Public Benefit (continued)

- c) To promote community capacity building for the public benefit, in particular but not limited to young people;
- d) The relief of unemployment for the public benefit;
- e) The advancement of education for the public benefit, including the provision of training, information & advice and promoting opportunities for members of the community to develop new skills & knowledge;
- f) To further for the benefit of members of the community without distinction of sex, sexual orientation, race or political, religious or other opinions by associating together members of the community, local authorities, voluntary & other organisations in a common effort to provide facilities in the interests of social welfare for recreation and other leisure-time occupations with the objective of improving the conditions of life of community members.

Where in the views of the Trustees it is expedient in the interests of the charity, the Trustees may support & encourage overseas partnership projects which are youth- and community -focused, in such countries of the world as they see fit.

Services, projects and achievements during the year

Introduction

As noted in the previous year's accounts for 2019-20, in the year ended 31st March 2021 BCP has continued to focus on its core areas of delivery, namely local food distribution, a Lunch Club for younger children, healthy activities for local young people and a money advice & debt counselling service for local residents.

Coronavirus pandemic

Unsurprisingly, the biggest difficulty faced by BCP during the year under review was the impact of the coronavirus pandemic. The first full lockdown in England came into effect on 23rd March 2020, which was just before our previous year-end. Immediately prior that date, we had already decided as a precaution to suspend all activities at the Rainbow Centre, with the exception of our food delivery scheme. Further details of the impact of the pandemic on individual projects are set out below.

Dollis Valley Angels emergency food deliveries

This scheme was in previous years called the Felix Project but we made a change to the name during 2020, in recognition of the fact that food supplies were now being sourced from other providers as well as from Felix. We also switched to providing weekly deliveries rather than fortnightly, as before, reflecting the increased demand for this service. Fortunately this service was exempt from the lockdown restrictions imposed by the Government, so we were able to continue providing it throughout the year.

At the beginning of this year, we were providing some 35 food parcels per week, containing enough food for two days for each family. This equated to between 130 & 150 meals per week in total. By the end of the year, the numbers of individuals being served had increased to some 50 per week. Additionally during the winter months and using funding provided by Barnet Council, we purchased gift cards from a local supermarket which were given out to local residents to assist with their energy bills.

Services, projects and achievements during the year (continued)

Lunch Club

Although this activity was suspended during the May half term, as noted above, when some of the lockdown restrictions were eased in the summer, we were able to run Lunch Club on three days per week for five weeks, thanks to additional funding from Young Barnet Foundation (YBF). Initially this was run on the King George V playing fields making use of the open space, basketball goals and exercise machines, as initial numbers were lower than usual. After that first week, we then returned to the Rainbow Centre, using our own basketball court for physical activities (tennis, hockey, football etc.) and running a food or craft activity each day on the grassy area, with a separate games or puzzle table. Lunch bags were given out to all children at the end of the session to take home. On one Friday, a family fun day was organised with activities inside and outside plus a barbeque for all. We also visited the GROW project at The Totteridge Academy for a tour and agreed to run a joint art-based project, which should give us the basis for some murals to decorate the new building when we move. The final day was a trip to Legoland which was enjoyed by all.

In October, we ran four days of activities, two of which involved working with GROW on our joint art project. Because of ongoing restrictions, we were unable to run a Christmas activity but all children were given a present thanks to YBF's collection. Unfortunately, the February 2021 half term week also had to be cancelled because of the continuing lockdown.

Junior Leaders / Youth work

Regrettably this project was severely impacted by all the Covid restrictions; apart from assisting at Lunch Club, little progress was made during the year under review.

Mixed Martial Arts (MMA)

As we were unable to hold these classes at the Centre, the instructor Ibush Kabashi instead provided a series of online training sessions via Zoom. These proved to be very popular. In September, once some restrictions had been lifted, he started back providing live sessions, with strict Covid protocols in place and numbers limited to around 20 children per week. Then by February 2021 Ibush had to revert to providing his classes online, on two separate week nights.

Thursday Takeaway cooking sessions

These classes were provided by a North London-based social enterprise called Bread n Butter, whose main aim is to teach the basic life skills of cooking and a sustainable, healthy independent living. Again lockdown restrictions prevented these sessions taking place until mid-September, at which time only one family could be included due to Covid protocols. Before the number of attendees could safely be increased, the re-imposition of lockdown in early 2021 meant these sessions again had to be suspended.

Services, projects and achievements during the year (continued)

Rainbow Money Advice (RMA)

Unlike many of the other BCP projects that were suspended due to the imposition of a national lockdown in March 2020, RMA was able to continue providing its services by going online, using both video conferencing and telephone conversations. This service is run by an experienced money advisor Stuart Goodman, who during the year under review became a fully-qualified member of the Institute of Money Advisers. This service is provided to clients totally free of charge and is both confidential and non-judgmental. It provides exceptional quality support to some of the most vulnerable residents in the local community.

During 2020/21, a total of 121 client interviews were held, bringing the overall total number of interviews to March 2021 up to 820. A further 23 new clients were taken on during the financial year. Referrals to RMA came from a number of sources, including the Barnet Wellbeing Hub and Barnet Federated GPs, amongst others. Stuart was supported by a second volunteer money advisor (whom he trained for this role) and an admin. assistant.

RMA is authorised by the Financial Conduct Authority (FCA) and is affiliated to Community Money Advice (CMA). Additionally it maintains informal links with other local & national organisations, including CommUNITY Barnet, 4 in 10 (a London Child Poverty umbrella group), the Institute of Money Advisers and the National Association of Welfare Rights Advisers.

Barnet Rail Pastors (BRP)

This is the only BCP project not run from the Rainbow Centre, as noted in previous annual reports. Instead it takes place on parts of both the Thameslink and Great Northern rail networks, in conjunction with both local station staff and British Transport Police (BTP).

The principal aim of BRP is to act as a friendly and listening presence for people using the rail network, especially at times when those passengers might be feeling vulnerable or be at risk in some way. Where necessary, more serious interventions have been made when circumstances required it.

After lockdown restrictions were eased in mid-2020, a pilot patrol was organised at Stevenage station in October. This was the team's first attempt at a socially-distanced patrol during the ongoing pandemic, and was timed to coincide with a mental health awareness project organised by the Samaritans. Further patrols took place in November (one) and December (three), before sadly a new lockdown in January 2021 prevented any further patrols for the rest of the financial year.

Despite the complications caused by the pandemic, three volunteers were able to complete their training, initially face-to-face and then via online sessions. BCP's Trustees are most grateful for the support of the Ascension Trust, who co-ordinate rail pastor schemes on a national basis.

Sports programme

Due to the restrictions of the pandemic, we were sadly unable to deliver American football training sessions at the Totteridge Academy (TTA) as previously. Instead, weekly video conferencing sessions were held to discuss actual NFL games and possible plays.

Our plans to hold a range of weekly sports & physical activities for less active local residents (or those with certain health conditions) were severely curtailed. We sincerely hope that these can begin at some time in the new financial year.

Services, projects and achievements during the year (continued)

Rainbow Centre bookings

Again these were mostly curtailed during 2020/21, but in September the Muslim prayer group was able to start up again, with smaller numbers allowed to participate. The art classes run by Barnet Southgate College also recommenced at that time. Sadly the Frontline Church did not return to the Centre due to the pandemic.

Fundraising and going concern basis

Somewhat against the grain of the wider charity sector, BCP actually generated more income in 2020/21 than in the previous financial year – an overall increase of some 18%. Combined with a 1% fall in total expenditure year-on-year, this resulted in a healthy surplus of some £12K, compared to a small deficit in the previous year. Part of the explanation for the reduced level of spending is of course the fact so many of our services & projects were curtailed by the various lockdowns experienced during the year.

The Trustees are pleased to be able to report that the level of fundraising in 2021-22 to date has been even higher than the year under review.

The Trustees wish to offer their heartfelt thanks to the following organisations for their generous support of BCP during the period of this report :

Garfield Weston	London Community Response Fund
The Hadley Trust	Jesus Hospital Charity
Tesco plc	Young Barnet Foundation
Govia Thameslink Railway	The Mayor's Fund for London
Sport England	London Community Foundation
Barnet U3A	Postcode Neighbourhood Trust
Barnet Council	Co-op Space to Connect

Additionally, BCP acknowledges the following organisations who either supported BCP or who worked in partnership with BCP during the last year :

Art Against Knives	The Felix Project
Barnet Southgate College	Rainbow Centre Users Group
Community Money Advice	MMA (North London)
Totteridge Academy	London Youth
FareShare London	South London Renegades
Street Games	Young Barnet Foundation
Sport England	Darul Noor Islamic Centre
Trussell Trust	Christmas on Jesus

BCP volunteers

Finally, the Trustees would like to thank all of the volunteers who work tirelessly on behalf of BCP and whose time is of course given freely. Without their hard work & dedication, many of the activities detailed above simply would not be able to take place.

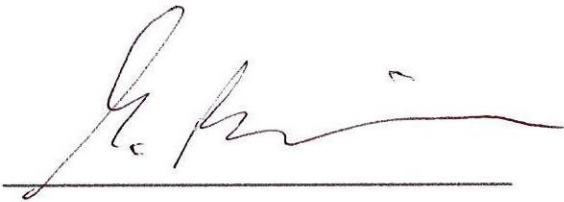
Trustees' Responsibilities in relation to the Financial Statements

The Trustees are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Annual Report and the related Financial Statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards. The law applicable to charities in England and Wales requires the Trustees to prepare Financial Statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the incoming resources and application of resources of the charity for that period. In preparing these Financial Statements, the Trustees are required to :

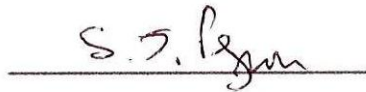
- Select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently
- Observe the methods and principles of the Charities SORP
- Make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent
- State whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements and
- Prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in business.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy the financial position of the charity and enable them to ascertain to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 1993, the Charity (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 and the provisions of the Constitution. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities. The Trustees are responsible for the maintenance and integrity of the information included on the charity's website.

Approved by the Trustees on 27th September 2021 and signed on their behalf by :



Chair



Treasurer

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INCOMING RESOURCES						
Grants received	1	5,299	86,925	0	92,224	77,036
Donations received	1	2,031	2,028	0	4,059	4,319
Other income	1 & 2	0	258	0	258	400
TOTAL INCOMING RESOURCES		£ 7,330	£ 89,211	£ 0	£ 96,541	£ 81,755
RESOURCES EXPENDED						
<i>Direct Charitable Expenditure</i>						
Direct labour costs (including social security costs)	3	1,752	58,088	0	59,840	55,778
Other direct expenditure	4	1,978	20,134	0	22,112	28,300
Insurance premiums paid		1,129	0	0	1,129	1,215
Rent and rates	8	1,000	0	0	1,000	0
		<u>5,859</u>	<u>78,222</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>84,081</u>	<u>85,293</u>
<i>Indirect Charitable Expenditure</i>						
Depreciation of fixed assets	5	295	0	0	295	0
TOTAL RESOURCES EXPENDED		£ 6,154	£ 78,222	£ 0	£ 84,376	£ 85,293
NET INCOMING / (OUTGOING) RESOURCES FOR THE YEAR		£ 1,176	£ 10,989	£ 0	£ 12,165	£ (3,538)

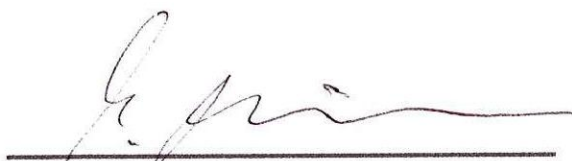
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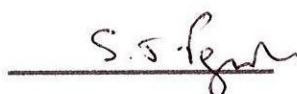
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		£	£	£	£
FIXED ASSETS					
Historic Cost		12,755		12,755	
Additions in year		1,470		0	
Less: Accumulated Depreciation	5	<u>(9,892)</u>		<u>(9,597)</u>	
			4,333		3,158
CURRENT ASSETS					
Cash at bank (current account)		59,940		38,986	
Debtors & accrued revenue		8,442		2,974	
Prepayments (re insurance premiums)		0		849	
		<u>68,382</u>		<u>42,809</u>	
LESS: CURRENT LIABILITIES - Amounts falling due within one year					
Deferred Income	6	<u>(2,422)</u>		<u>(1,615)</u>	
			<u>(39,148)</u>		<u>(24,565)</u>
NET CURRENT ASSETS					
			29,234		18,244
TOTAL NET ASSETS					
		<u>£ 33,567</u>		<u>£ 21,402</u>	
FUNDS					
Unrestricted Funds					
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Balance as at 1st April 2020		(28,823)		(24,841)	
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Balance as at 1st April 2020		50,225		49,781	
Net Outgoing Resources for the year ended 31 st March 2021		<u>10,989</u>		<u>444</u>	
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TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD					
		<u>£ 33,567</u>		<u>£ 21,402</u>	

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The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention with items recognised at cost or transaction value, unless otherwise stated in the relevant notes to these accounts. The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable to the Micro-entities Regime (FRS 105) and with the Charities Act 2011.

Recognition of Income

These are included in the Statement of Financial Activities (SoFA) when the charity becomes entitled to the resources, it is more likely than not that the Trustees will receive the resources and the monetary value can be measured with sufficient reliability. The previous policy was to recognise Grants Received in the Statement of Financial Activities as & when these were received. A change was made in the accounts for 2015-16 to recognise this income as it relates to the periods for which these grant funds are made. All income in 2020-21 that relates to the following financial year is now shown in the Balance Sheet as Deferred Income (see also Note 6). Donations Received and Other Income are recognised in full in the Statement of Financial Activities when they are received.

Offsetting

There has been no offsetting of assets and liabilities, nor income and expenditure.

Liability Recognition

Liabilities are recognised where it is more likely than not there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to pay out resources and the amount of the obligation can be measured with reasonable certainty.

Going Concern Basis

The Trustees have assessed whether the use of the going concern basis is appropriate and have considered possible events or conditions that might cast doubt on the ability of the Charity to continue as a going concern. As explained in the Trustees Annual Report, since the year-end the global pandemic and spread of Covid-19 has severely impacted many economies throughout the world. The Trustees have assessed the impact Covid-19 may have on the Charity's forecast and projections and have made this assessment for a period of at least one year from the date of approving these financial statements. The Trustees have concluded that the Charity has sufficient resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future and consequently it is appropriate to continue to adopt the going concern basis in preparing its financial statements.

2. Other Income

£

Other Income is analysed as follows :

Restricted

Co-op Local Communities Fund re Lunch Club

£ 258

3. Staff Costs & Trustees' Remuneration

No employee received employee benefits (excluding employer pension costs) for the reporting period of more than £60,000 (2019-20 Nil). None of the trustees have been paid any remuneration or received any other benefits from any employment with the charity or a related entity.

4. Other Direct Expenditure

Total Unrestricted Restricted

Other Direct Expenditure includes the following costs :

£ £ £

Cleaning materials	525	0	525
Professional fees & accountancy costs	3,623	1,197	2,426
Catering costs	4,189	0	4,189
Barnet Rail Pastors	0		
Printing, postage, stationery & telephone	731	165	566
Repairs & maintenance	0		
Training costs	1,698	0	1,698
Office expenses (incl. IT costs)	1,742	121	1,621
Travel costs	754	90	664
All other costs (total)	8,850	405	8,445

TOTAL

£ 22,112 1,978 20,134

5. Depreciation of Fixed Assets & Capitalisation Threshold

Depreciation is provided on a straight-line basis on the historic purchase price of the charity's Fixed Assets, to write these off over their estimated useful economic lives, as follows :

- IT Equipment - 2 years
- Other Assets - 5 years

Purchases greater than £500 in value are accounted for as Fixed Assets; below that threshold, any expenditure is written off in-year.

6. Deferred Income

As described in Note 1 above, a change in accounting policy was made in 2015-16 to reflect the different funding periods for BCP's Grants Received. The amount shown in the Balance Sheet as Deferred Income resembles the amount of grants actually received in 2020-21 that relate instead to 2021-22. This Deferred Income will form part of BCP's Restricted Funds in the following financial year.

7. Reserves Policy

The previous intention of the Trustees was to hold in Reserves an amount equivalent to approximately six months' worth of expenditures. Following a re-assessment of this policy, the Trustees have now given regard to the possible longer-term liabilities of BCP, especially in the unlikely event of a cessation of the charity's operations. In that regard, the only longer-term liability of BCP would be paying the salary of the Director during the contractual notice period, the Director being the only salaried employee of BCP. It is estimated that this cost would not exceed £10,000 and the Trustees are confident that BCP has sufficient free reserves in hand at the balance sheet date to cover this cost. Additionally, the Trustees are equally confident that if the accounting policies now adopted regarding Grants Received had been in place since the charity's inception, then the deficit currently showing in the Balance Sheet on Unrestricted Funds would not in fact exist.

8. Related Party Transactions

During the year, the following notional payment was made to the Rainbow Centre Users Group towards the rent for operating in their premises.

	2020/21	2019/20
Rainbow Centre Users Group	£1,000	£0

**Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of
Barnet Community Projects**

I report to the Trustees on my examination of the accounts of Barnet Community Projects for the year ended 31st March 2021, which are set out on pages 7 to 10.

Responsibilities and Basis of Report

As the charity Trustees of the Trust, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act'). The Charity Trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act') and that an independent examination is needed.

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

Independent Examiner's Statement

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

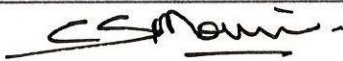
- (1) accounting records were not kept in respect of the Trust as required by section 130 of the Act; or
- (2) the accounts do not accord with those records; or
- (3) the accounts do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair view' which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

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

Name :

CHRISTOPHER MORRIS

Signature :



Relevant professional qualification or body :

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31st JANUARY 2022.