

# BARLOW MOOR COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION LIMITED

England & Wales · Charity number 1142217

## Details

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**Other names** BMCA LIMITED

**Status** Registered

**Legal form** Charitable company

**Company number** [07476646](#)

**Registered** 2011-06-02

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

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## Activities

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**Objects:** THE CHARITY'S OBJECTS (THE "OBJECTS") ARE SPECIFICALLY: (I) TO PROMOTE THE BENEFIT OF THE INHABITANTS OF BARLOW MOOR AND ITS ENVIRONS (THE "AREA OF BENEFIT") WITHOUT DISTINCTION OF SEX, SEXUAL ORIENTATION, RACE OR OF POLITICAL, RELIGIOUS OR OTHER OPINIONS BY ASSOCIATING TOGETHER THE SAID INHABITANTS AND THE LOCAL AUTHORITIES, VOLUNTARY OR OTHER ORGANIZATIONS IN A COMMON EFFORT TO ADVANCE EDUCATION; (II) TO PROVIDE FACILITIES IN THE INTERESTS OF SOCIAL WELFARE FOR RECREATION AND LEISURE TIME OCCUPATION WITH THE OBJECT OF IMPROVING THE CONDITION OF LIFE FOR THE SAID INHABITANTS; (III) TO SECURE THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A COMMUNITY CENTRE (THE "CENTRE") AND TO MAINTAIN AND MANAGE THE SAME (WHETHER ALONE OR IN CO-OPERATION WITH ANY LOCAL AUTHORITY OR OTHER PERSON OR BODY) IN FURTHERANCE OF THESE OBJECTS; AND (IV) SUCH OTHER PURPOSES AS MAY BE CHARITABLE ACCORDING TO THE LAW OF ENGLAND & WALES.

**Activities:** 1) To promote the benefit of the inhabitants of Barlow Moor and its environs. In a common effort to advance education 2) To provide facilities in the interest of social welfare for recreation and leisure time occupation 3) To secure the establishment of a community centre and to maintain and manage the same. 4) such other purposes as may be charitable according to the law in England and Wales.

## Classification

- **How:** Provides Human Resources, Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space, Provides Services
- **What:** Education/training, Arts/culture/heritage/science, Economic/community Development/employment, Recreation
- **Who:** Children/young People, Elderly/old People, The General Public/mankind

## Geography

- Manchester City
- Trafford

## Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£542,600	£576,512	£275,629	24
2024-03-31	£620,113	£530,754	£309,541	23
2023-03-31	£521,175	£506,642	£220,182	19
2022-03-31	£443,542	£499,969	-	-
2021-03-31	£550,073	£456,817	£262,076	20

## Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Cathy Dell		2025-09-11
Cllr Joanna Rachel Midgley		2018-02-14
Clover Hudson		2022-11-16
Helen Sharples		2021-09-01
Rev Thomas William Phipps		2023-09-13
Victoria Samantha Nicholas		2025-09-11

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# Accounts

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**BARLOW MOOR COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION LIMITED**

**REGISTERED COMPANY NUMBER 07476646 (ENGLAND)  
REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER: 1142217**

**FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025**

Hilton Jones Ltd T/A Community Accountancy Service  
Hollinwood Business Centre  
Alberts Street  
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**BARLOW MOOR COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION LIMITED****Report of the trustees for the year ended 31<sup>ST</sup> March 2025**

The trustees present their annual directors' report and financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2025 which are also prepared to meet the requirements for a directors' report and accounts for Companies Act purposes.

The financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the Companies Act 2006, the Memorandum and Articles of Association, and the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019).

**Reference and administrative information**

Charity Name: Barlow Moor Community Association Limited

Charity Number: 1142217

Company No: 07476646

**Directors and trustees**

The directors of the charitable company (the charity) are its trustees for the purpose of charity law.

The trustees and officers serving during the year and since the year end were as follows:

Ms Joanna Midgley (Chair)  
Mrs Michelle Hodges (Treasurer)  
Ms Helen Sharples (Company Secretary)  
Miss Clover Hudson (Vice Chair)  
Mr George Coombs  
Rev. Thomas Phipps

**Key Management Personnel: Trustees and Directors**

Ms Joanna Midgley Chair of Trustees

Senior Managers:

Ms Rebecca Elliot, Ms Toni Toner

Miss Philomena Sales

**Registered Office**

23 Merseybank Avenue, Manchester, M21 7NT

**Independent Examiners**

Community Accountancy Service Limited

The Grange, Pilgrim Drive, Beswick, Manchester M11 3TQ

**Bankers**

Cooperative Bank plc, 1 Balloon Street, Manchester, M60 4EP

Epworth Investment Management, 9 Bonhill Street, London, EC2A 4PE

## BARLOW MOOR COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION LIMITED

### Objectives and activities

The purposes of the charity are:

- to promote the benefit of the inhabitants of Barlow Moor and its environs without distinction of sex, sexual orientation, race or of political, religious or other opinion by associating together the said inhabitants and the local authorities, voluntary or other organisations in a common effort to advance education
- to provide facilities in the interests of social welfare for recreation and leisure time occupation with the object of improving the condition of life for the said inhabitants.
- to secure the establishment of a community centre and to maintain and manage the same whether alone or in cooperation with any local authority or other person or body in furtherance of these objects, and
- such other purposes as may be charitable according to the law of England and Wales and to relieve the poverty of the public in England by the provision of free and confidential information about charitable, voluntary, health and public services.

The trustees confirm that they have referred to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit when reviewing the Charity's aims and objectives, in planning future activities, and setting the policies for the year.

**Barlow Moor Community Association (BMCA)** adopts a holistic, community-led approach to tackling poverty, recognising that deprivation is not only about a lack of income, but also a lack of opportunity, access, and choice. We support individuals and families across generations through early intervention, wraparound support, and inclusive activities that build resilience, reduce isolation, and promote long-term wellbeing.

Our charitable purpose is delivered through four interconnected strands of work:

#### 1. Health and Wellbeing

We deliver a robust programme that supports both day-to-day challenges and long-term resilience:

- **Early intervention and enhanced support:** Intensive 1:1 support for individuals facing financial hardship, housing insecurity, or complex needs. This includes benefit advice, budgeting, and crisis response.
- **Cost-of-living support:** We lead the local cost-of-living partnership, coordinate anti-poverty initiatives, and influence neighbourhood-level change.
- **Food and fuel poverty relief:** Daily warm hub, community kitchen, emergency food parcels, foodbank referrals, and school uniform projects.
- **Physical and mental health:** Yoga, Tai Chi, chair-based exercise, walk & talk, and creative therapies. Social sessions include Men's Den, Music for Mindfulness, befriending, and seasonal wellbeing events like "Step into Spring" and "Winter Warmer."

#### 2. Community Development

We empower local people to shape services and lead change:

- **Driving Change:** Community consultation and Community Forum, enabling residents to reinvest in their neighbourhood.
- **Social Action:** Volunteer-led delivery of our charity shop, garden, bike project, and community library. Residents also lead litter picks and youth-led social action.

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- **Community Events:** We foster cohesion through inclusive events like Merseyfest, Spookeyfest, Santa's First Stop, and Play Streets, reclaiming public space for children and families.

### 3. Advice, Education, Training & Employment

We provide a comprehensive pathway from crisis to confidence:

- **Matrix-accredited IAG:** Tailored advice on benefits, housing, and financial resilience, including in-work support and budgeting.
- **Employment support:** Job Club, CV workshops, interview prep, and quarterly job fairs.
- **Informal learning:** Courses in communication, teamwork, and positive thinking.
- **Accredited qualifications:** In-house NCFE/Cache qualifications in Support Work in Schools, Retail, Customer Service, and Volunteering. Certificates in Food Hygiene, First Aid, Safeguarding, and more.
- **Basic skills:** English Conversation Café, Everyday English and Maths, and digital skills through our Digi Drop-In.

### 4. Children and Young People

We offer whole family support for children and families:

- **Early Years:** Until 18<sup>th</sup> July 2025 a 30-place nursery for 2–4-year-olds offering 15 hours per week.
- **Play and childcare:** Free open-access play and holiday schemes for 5–12s.
- **Youth provision:** Weekly sessions for 11–14s and 13+ age groups, focusing on personal development, wellbeing, and social action.

### Wider Community Offer

Our centre is a trusted hub for the community and hosts a range of external services including Narcotics Anonymous, Citizens Advice, Credit Union, Be-Well, local councillors and MPs surgeries, and private hire for community events. We also organise excursions, residential trips, and community lunches.

### Current Financial Context

BMCA is currently facing significant financial pressure due to rising operational costs and reduced long-term funding commitments. Despite this, demand for our services continues to grow. We are actively seeking support to sustain and expand our core programmes, ensuring that local people continue to have access to the trusted, compassionate, and life-changing support they need. At the time of preparing and publishing this financial statement (for the year ended 31 March 2025), it is confirmed that the early years provision operated by the organisation has formally closed as of 18th July 2025, in line with a comprehensive business case review taken earlier in the year. The closure pertained solely to the nursery element of the organisation's operations and was undertaken due to sustainability and viability concerns outlined in the formal business case. As a result of the closure, three redundancies have taken place, affecting staff directly involved in the delivery of the nursery provision. The total cost of redundancy payments was £4,294, and this has been provided for within the financial statements for the year ending 31 March 2025.

## BARLOW MOOR COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION LIMITED

### Structure, governance and management

Barlow Moor Community Association Limited is a company limited by guarantee governed by its Memorandum and Articles of Association dated 22<sup>nd</sup> December 2010. It is registered as a charity with the Charity Commission (dated 2nd June 2011).

### Appointment of trustees

As set out in the Articles of Association trustees are elected annually by the members of the charitable company attending the Annual General meeting. Each year one third of the trustees shall retire from office by rotation based on the longest standing and offer themselves for re-election.

### Trustee induction and training

Trustees are given information about their role and responsibilities on first being appointed. They are also given a copy of the constitution, information about staffing and management, and are shown copies of policy documents.

Once appointed to subgroups they are given further information on funding, systems etc, and are trained in relevant procedures (eg. Bank reconciliation and other Quickbooks procedures for the treasurer).

### Organisation

The board of trustees administers the charity. The board normally meet bi-monthly. A Centre Management Team are appointed by the trustees to manage the day-to-day operations of the charity.

### Related parties and co-operation with other organisations

None of our trustees receive remuneration or other benefit from their work as a trustee with the charity. Any connection between a trustee or senior manager with any service providers must be disclosed to the full board of trustees in the same way as any other contractual relationship with a related party. Payments to related parties are disclosed in Note 14 to the accounts.

### A review of our achievements and performance

The main achievements during the year are set out in the Impact Report in the Appendix.

### Financial review

The charity had ended the year with income totalling £542,600 (2024 £620,113). Expenditure increased to £576,512 from £530,754 with most of this coming from restricted funds. This left a deficit of £33,912 (2024 surplus of £89,359). Unrestricted reserves at the year end, were £131,382 down from £168,003 in 2024.

### Investment powers and policy

The trustees, having regard to the liquidity requirements of operating the charity, have kept available funds in an interest bearing deposit account.

### Reserves policy and going concern

The balance held in unrestricted reserves at 31<sup>st</sup> March 2025 was £131,382 of which £127,710 is free reserves, after allowing for funds tied up in tangible fixed assets. The charity has designated £14,753

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of this to support specific activities and capital items. Restricted reserves totalled £144,247 with £86,964 relating to fixed assets (spent) and £57,283 relating to revenue.

The trustees aim to establish and maintain free reserves in unrestricted funds at a level which equates to approximately four months of charitable expenditure (currently £191,000). The trustees consider that this level will provide sufficient funds to respond to applications for grants and ensure that support and governance costs are covered. Currently free reserves stand at just under 3 months running costs. Having regard to the 25/26 budget and supplemented by the general funds the trustees consider that the charity is a going concern. Income of £309,417.00 has been confirmed for 2025/26.

**Risk management**

The trustees have conducted a review of the major risks to which the charity is exposed and systems have been established to mitigate those risks. Where appropriate, systems or procedures have been established to mitigate the risks the charity faces. Procedures are in place to ensure compliance with health and safety of staff, volunteers, young people, other service users and visitors.

**Trustees responsibilities in relation to the financial statements**

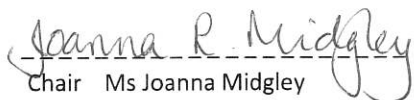
The charity trustees (who are also the directors of Barlow Moor Community Association Limited for the purposes of company law) are responsible for preparing a trustees' annual report and financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

Company law requires the charity trustees to prepare financial statements for each year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure, of the charitable company for that period. In preparing the financial statements, the trustees are required to:

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

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

By order of the board of trustees

  
Chair Ms Joanna Midgley

Date: 11/09/2025

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF BARLOW  
MOOR COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION LIMITED**

I report on the accounts of the company for the Year Ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2025, which are set out on pages 7 to 20.

**Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner**

The trustees (who are also the directors of the company for the purposes of company law) are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed. The charity is required by company law to prepare accrued accounts and I am qualified to undertake the examination by being a qualified member of The Association of Chartered Certified Accountants.

Having satisfied myself that the charity is not subject to audit under company law and is eligible for independent examination, it is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act ;
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(b) of the 2011 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 the general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair view' and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

**Independent examiner's statement**

In connection with my examination, except as shown below, 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 386 of the Companies Act 2006; and
  - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records, comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the Companies Act 2006, ; and
  - with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities

have not been met; or

(2) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



James Hilton Jones FCCA  
Hilton-Jones Ltd t/a Community Accountancy Service  
Hollinwood Business Centre  
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Date: 11<sup>th</sup> September 2025

**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025**  
(including income and expenditure account)

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds 2025 £	Restricted Funds 2025 £	Year Ended 31 March 2025 £	Year Ended 31 March 2024 £
<b>INCOME FROM</b>					
Donations & Legacies	2	735	10,132	10,867	2,584
Donation In Kind		-	24,000	24,000	24,000
Charitable activities	3	91,949	385,922	477,871	560,527
Other Trading Activities	4	23,281	5	23,286	27,927
Investment Income		6,576	-	6,576	5,075
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>		<b>122,541</b>	<b>420,059</b>	<b>542,600</b>	<b>620,113</b>
<b>RESOURCES EXPENDED</b>					
Costs of Raising Funds	6	12,474	-	12,474	11,506
Grants Made	6	-	2,130	2,130	6,370
Charitable Activities	6	146,347	415,561	561,908	512,878
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURE</b>		<b>158,821</b>	<b>417,691</b>	<b>576,512</b>	<b>530,754</b>
<b>NET INCOME (EXPENDITURE) &amp; NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS FOR THE YEAR</b>		<b>(36,280)</b>	<b>2,368</b>	<b>(33,912)</b>	<b>89,359</b>
Gross Transfer between funds	16	(341)	341	-	-
<b>RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS</b>					
TOTAL FUNDS BROUGHT FORWARD	16	168,003	141,538	309,541	220,182
<b>TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>131,382</b>	<b>144,247</b>	<b>275,629</b>	<b>309,541</b>

The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses in the year. All incoming resources and resources expended derive from continuing activities.

The notes on pages 10 to 20 form part of these accounts.

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 MARCH 2025

	Notes	2025 £	2024 £
<b>FIXED ASSETS</b>			
Tangible Fixed Assets	10	90,636	96,135
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>			
Debtors	11	21,821	19,360
Cash at Bank and in Hand		<u>259,499</u>	<u>258,172</u>
		281,320	277,532
<b>LIABILITIES:</b>			
Amounts falling due within one year	12	<u>(96,327)</u>	<u>(64,126)</u>
<b>NET CURRENT ASSETS</b>		184,993	213,406
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>		<u><u>275,629</u></u>	<u><u>309,541</u></u>
<b>THE FUNDS OF THE CHARITY</b>			
Restricted Income Funds	16	144,247	141,538
Unrestricted Income Funds	16	<u>131,382</u>	<u>168,003</u>
<b>TOTAL CHARITY FUNDS</b>		<u><u>275,629</u></u>	<u><u>309,541</u></u>

For the year in question the company was entitled to the exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

- The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its accounts for the year in question in accordance with section 476.
- The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts.

These accounts have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies' regime.

Approved on behalf of the Company's Board of Trustees:

Trustee

*Joanna R Midgley*

Ms Joanna Midgley

Trustee

*Michelle Hodges*

Mrs Michelle Hodges

Date: 11/09/2025

The notes on pages 10 to 20 form part of these accounts.

STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31ST MARCH 2025

	2025 £	2024 £
<b>RECONCILIATION OF NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS TO NET CASH FLOW FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES</b>		
Net movement in funds	(33,912)	89,359
Add back depreciation	12,976	11,684
Deduct investment income	(6,576)	(5,075)
Decrease/(increase) in debtors	(2,461)	(4,173)
Increase/(decrease) in creditors	32,201	(28,855)
<b>Net cash used in operating activities</b>	<u>2,228</u>	<u>62,940</u>
<b>Cash flows from investment activities:</b>		
Interest	6,576	5,075
Purchase of fixed assets	(7,477)	(28,802)
<b>Net cash provided by investing activities</b>	<u>(901)</u>	<u>(23,727)</u>
Increase/(decrease) in cash and cash equivalents during the year	1,327	39,213
Cash and cash equivalents brought forward	258,172	218,959
<b>Cash and cash equivalents carried forward</b>	<u>259,499</u>	<u>258,172</u>

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

**1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

**(a) Basis of preparation and assessment of going concern**

The accounts (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 financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) effective 1st January 2019, the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102), the Charities Act 2011 and The Companies Act 2006.. The charity constitutes a public benefit entity as defined by FRS 102. The trustees consider that there are no material uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue as a going concern.

**(b) Funds structure**

Restricted funds are funds which are to be used in accordance with specific restrictions imposed by the donor or trust deed. There are 36 restricted funds at the year end. Unrestricted income funds comprise those funds which the trustees are free to use for any purpose in furtherance of the charitable objects. Unrestricted funds include designated funds where the trustees, at their discretion have created a fund for a specific purpose. Further details of each fund are disclosed in note 16.

**(c) Income recognition**

All income is recognised once the charity has entitlement to the income, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount of income receivable can be measured reliably. Donations are recognised when the charity has been notified in writing of both the amount and settlement date. In the event that a donation is subject to conditions that require a level of performance before the charity is entitled to the funds, the income is deferred and not recognised until either those conditions are fully met, or the fulfilment of those conditions is wholly within the control of the charity and it is probable that those conditions will be fulfilled in the reporting period. Interest on funds held on deposit is included when receivable and the amount can be measured reliably by the charity; this is normally upon notification of the interest paid or payable by the bank. Dividends are recognised once the dividend has been declared and notification has been received of the dividend due.

**(d) Expenditure Recognition**

Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, it is probable that settlement will be required and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. All expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis. All expenses including support costs and governance costs are allocated or apportioned to the applicable expenditure headings. For more information on this attribution refer to note (g) below.

**(e) Irrecoverable VAT**

Irrecoverable VAT is charged against the expenditure heading for which it was incurred.

**(f) Allocation of support and governance costs**

Support costs have been allocated between governance costs and other support costs. Governance costs comprise all costs involving the public accountability of the charity and its compliance with regulation and good practice. These costs include costs related to independent examination and legal fees together with an apportionment of overhead and support costs. Governance costs and support costs relating to charitable activities have been apportioned based on staff time and facilities used in each activity. The allocation of support and governance costs is analysed in note 7.

**(g) Charitable Activities**

Costs of charitable activities include governance costs and an apportionment of support costs as shown in Note 6.

**(h) Tangible fixed assets and depreciation**

Fixed assets are included in the accounts at net book value. Additions of a single item or a group of similar assets exceeding £500, are capitalised at cost (valuation for donated assets).

Depreciation is provided to write off the cost less the estimated residual value of tangible fixed assets over their estimated useful lives as follows:-

Computer Equipment	33.33% on cost
Furniture & Equipment	25% on cost
Leasehold Improvements	over 22 years from January 2014

**(i) Debtors**

Trade and other debtors are recognised at settlement amount due after any trade discount offered. Prepayments are valued at the amount prepaid net of any trade discounts due.

**(j) Creditors and Provisions**

Creditors and provisions are recognised where the charity has a present obligation resulting from a past event that will probably result in the transfer of funds to a third party and the amount due to settle the obligation can be measured or estimated reliably. Creditors and provisions are normally recognised at their settlement amount after allowing for any trade discounts due.

**(k) Taxation**

The organisation is exempt from income tax by reason of its charitable status. Income tax suffered on investment income is reclaimed in full. The Charity is not registered for VAT.

**(l) Pensions**

The charity operates an auto enrolment defined contribution pension scheme for its employees. The charity has no liability beyond making its contributions and paying across the deductions for the employee contributions.

**(m) Contingent liabilities**

A contingent liability is identified and disclosed for those transactions resulting from a possible obligation which will only be confirmed by the occurrence of one or more uncertain future events not wholly within the trustees' control.

**(n) Commitments Under Operating Leases**

Rentals are charged to income and expenditure as they fall due.

2 INCOME FROM DONATIONS AND LEGACIES	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total 2025
	Funds	Funds	
	£	£	£
Donations	735	10,132	10,867
	<u>735</u>	<u>10,132</u>	<u>10,867</u>
Previous Year	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total 2024
	Funds	Funds	
	£	£	£
Donations	2,084	500	2,584
	<u>2,084</u>	<u>500</u>	<u>2,584</u>

## NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

## 3 INCOME FROM CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2025
	£	£	£
Grants:			
Our Manchester VCS	-	86,719	86,719
MCC - Cost of Living	-	30,000	30,000
MCC NIF - Various	-	2,450	2,450
HAF	-	21,205	21,205
Garfield Weston Foundation	12,500	-	12,500
MCC - Young People	-	78,735	78,735
The Henry Smith Charity	-	31,533	31,533
Trusthouse	-	18,623	18,623
Good Things Foundation	8,400	-	8,400
MCC Work & Skills	-	9,000	9,000
Southway - Learning Hub	-	19,992	19,992
Southway - Youth Elevate	8,766	-	8,766
Southway - Merseyfest	-	2,000	2,000
Merseyfest - Various	-	4,861	4,861
Big Life	2,500	-	2,500
Big Lottery Reaching Communities	-	47,867	47,867
Revision	-	12,000	12,000
Nursery Free Entitlement & EYPP	51,776	-	51,776
Mcr Active	-	5,000	5,000
Other Social Contracts	2,000	-	2,000
Other Small Grants	5,930	14,146	20,076
<i>Total Grants</i>	<u>91,872</u>	<u>384,131</u>	<u>476,003</u>
Group Contributions etc	47	1,791	1,838
Other Income	30	-	30
	<u>77</u>	<u>1,791</u>	<u>1,868</u>
	<u>91,949</u>	<u>385,922</u>	<u>477,871</u>

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

3. Cont....

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2024
	£	£	£
Previous Year			
Grants:			
Our Manchester VCS	-	86,719	86,719
MCC NIF - Various	-	3,829	3,829
HAF	-	16,873	16,873
Garfield Weston Foundation	25,000	-	25,000
MCC - Hate Crime	-	1,500	1,500
MCC - Young People	-	65,288	65,288
The Henry Smith Charity	-	31,133	31,133
Trusthouse	-	21,696	21,696
Good Things Foundation	10,600	-	10,600
MCC Work & Skills	-	10,000	10,000
Southway - Learning Hub	-	19,992	19,992
Southway - Beautiful South	-	1,500	1,500
Southway - Breakfast Support	-	1,750	1,750
Merseyfest - Various	-	5,716	5,716
Diabetes Project	-	7,000	7,000
Big Life	2,500	-	2,500
Big Lottery Reaching Communities	-	71,212	71,212
Big Lottery - Cost of Living	-	62,567	62,567
Big Lottery - Million Hours	-	9,487	9,487
Nursery Free Entitlement & EYPP	33,710	-	33,710
Nursery - Welfare Grant	-	105	105
Nursery SEN	-	2,151	2,151
Youth Investment Fund	-	18,288	18,288
TFGM Bike Project	-	11,656	11,656
Sport England	-	10,399	10,399
Other Social Contracts	9,000	-	9,000
Other Small Grants	7,210	6,096	13,306
<b>Total Grants</b>	<b>88,020</b>	<b>464,957</b>	<b>552,977</b>
Group Contributions etc	116	4,183	4,299
Other Income	727	2,524	3,251
	<b>843</b>	<b>6,707</b>	<b>7,550</b>
	<b>88,863</b>	<b>471,664</b>	<b>560,527</b>

4 INCOME FROM OTHER TRADING ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted Funds 2025	Restricted Funds 2025	2025	Unrestricted Funds 2024	Restricted Funds 2024	2024
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Room Hire	12,521	-	12,521	12,020	-	12,020
Project Management	4,030	-	4,030	9,045	-	9,045
Fundraising	2,153	5	2,158	2,097	49	2,146
Shop Income	4,577	-	4,577	4,716	-	4,716
	<b>23,281</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>23,286</b>	<b>27,878</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>27,927</b>

5 NET INCOMING RESOURCES FOR THE YEAR

	2025	2024
	£	£
The net incoming (outgoing) resources are stated after charging:		
Depreciation (owned assets)	12,976	11,684
Independent Examination	1,200	1,200
Other Financial Services	6,329	6,026
Trustees (Directors) Remuneration (see note 14)	-	-

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

6 EXPENDITURE

	Basis of allocation	Centre	Activity Zones	Total 2025
		£	£	£
<b>Expenditure on Generating Funds</b>				
Employment Costs	<i>Staff Time</i>	9,643	-	9,643
Premises Costs		1,244	-	1,244
Shop Costs		1,587	-	1,587
		<u>12,474</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>12,474</u>
<b>Grants Made</b>				
Household, Welfare & Food Support		-	2,130	2,130
<b>Expenditure on Charitable Activities</b>				
		£	£	£
Employment Costs	<i>Staff Time</i>	181,611	153,449	335,060
Other Staff Expenses	<i>Activity</i>	380	-	380
DBS Checks	<i>Activity</i>	352	-	352
Premises Costs	<i>Activity</i>	13,082	8,075	21,157
Volunteer Expenses	<i>Activity</i>	41	-	41
Staff Travel	<i>Activity</i>	166	-	166
Staff Training	<i>Activity</i>	94	-	94
Centre Activities	<i>Activity</i>	18,272	20,393	38,665
Partner Payments	<i>Activity</i>	5,000	21,649	26,649
Beneficiary Training	<i>Activity</i>	-	5,211	5,211
Subscriptions	<i>Activity</i>	1,374	1,450	2,824
Publicity & Website	<i>Activity</i>	2,785	-	2,785
Support Costs		92,941	21,717	114,658
Governance Costs		13,711	155	13,866
		<u>329,809</u>	<u>232,099</u>	<u>561,908</u>
				£
Restricted Funds				417,691
Unrestricted Funds				<u>158,821</u>
				<u>576,512</u>

	Basis of allocation	Centre	Activity Zones	Total 2024
		£	£	£
<i>Previous Year:</i>				
<b>Expenditure on Generating Funds</b>				
Employment Costs	<i>Staff Time</i>	9,171	-	9,171
Premises Costs		1,809	-	1,809
Shop Costs		526	-	526
		<u>11,506</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>11,506</u>
<b>Grants Made</b>				
Household & Food Support		-	6,370	6,370
<b>Expenditure on Charitable Activities</b>				
		£	£	£
Employment Costs	<i>Staff Time</i>	187,401	107,597	294,998
Other Staff Expenses	<i>Activity</i>	141	18	159
DBS Checks	<i>Activity</i>	270	-	270
Premises Costs	<i>Activity</i>	18,945	11,813	30,758
Volunteer Expenses	<i>Activity</i>	94	-	94
Staff Travel	<i>Activity</i>	147	-	147
Staff Training	<i>Activity</i>	90	-	90
Centre Activities	<i>Activity</i>	11,776	33,840	45,616
Partner Payments	<i>Activity</i>	-	7,179	7,179
Beneficiary Training	<i>Activity</i>	4,800	-	4,800
Subscriptions	<i>Activity</i>	398	142	540
Publicity & Website	<i>Activity</i>	2,716	-	2,716
Support Costs		105,705	4,300	110,005
Governance Costs		15,506	-	15,506
		<u>347,989</u>	<u>164,889</u>	<u>512,878</u>
				£
Restricted Funds				462,012
Unrestricted Funds				<u>68,742</u>
				<u>530,754</u>

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

7 ALLOCATION OF GOVERNANCE AND SUPPORT COSTS

		General Support	Governance	Total 2025	Total 2024
		£	£	£	£
Employment Costs	Staff Time	23,331		23,331	25,722
Premises Costs	Activity	2,489		2,489	3,619
Donation In Kind - premises	Activity	24,000		24,000	24,000
Insurance	Activity	4,615		4,615	3,562
Cleaning	Activity	23,458		23,458	21,161
Equipment Leasing	Activity	1,308		1,308	1,189
Repairs & Renewals	Activity	7,714		7,714	4,457
Computer Maintenance	Activity	3,960		3,960	3,785
Minor Equipment & Software	Activity	3,452		3,452	795
Telephone & Internet	Activity	2,060		2,060	4,252
Post, Printing & Stationery	Activity	2,137		2,137	2,715
Subscriptions	Activity	444		444	-
Sundries	Activity	105		105	303
Payroll Services	Activity	2,609		2,609	2,666
Depreciation	Activity	12,976		12,976	11,684
Interest Paid	Activity	-		-	95
Trustee Meetings & Expenses	Governance		182	182	416
Accountancy	Governance		4,920	4,920	4,560
Consultancy	Governance		3,168	3,168	3,432
Legal Fees	Governance		420	420	1,954
Professional Fees - HR	Governance		5,176	5,176	5,144
		114,658	13,866	128,524	125,511

8 STAFF NUMBERS AND COSTS

Staff costs were as follows:

	2025	2024
	£	£
Salaries and wages	339,758	309,334
Social security costs	18,082	14,891
Redundancy Costs	4,294	-
Pensions	5,900	5,666
	368,034	329,891

The charity employed 30 people during the year. The average number of employees during the year, was 24 and calculated on the basis of full time equivalents was as follows:

	Number	Number
Management & Administration	2	2
Services	10	9
	12	11

Along with the trustees the key management personnel are the joint CEO's and Operations manager. The total employment benefits, including employer pension contributions of the key management personnel were £121,110 (2024 £119,893). No employee has benefits in excess of £60,000.

9 AMOUNTS DUE UNDER OPERATING LEASE ARRANGEMENTS

	2025	2024
	£	£
Due within one year	-	-
	-	-

A lease of £3,800 per annum for use of the premises exists but to date the lessor has donated use in kind. The use in kind has been valued at £24,000 per annum.

## NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

10 TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS	Leasehold Improvements	Furniture & Equipment	Computer Equipment	Total
	£	£	£	£
<b>COST</b>				
At 1 April 2024	145,161	34,283	12,301	191,745
Additions	1,262	5,601	614	7,477
Disposals	-	(8,339)	-	(8,339)
At 31 March 2025	<u>146,423</u>	<u>31,545</u>	<u>12,915</u>	<u>190,883</u>
<b>DEPRECIATION</b>				
At 1 April 2024	58,512	26,953	10,145	95,610
Charge for Period	7,782	3,489	1,705	12,976
Disposals	-	(8,339)	-	(8,339)
At 31 March 2025	<u>66,294</u>	<u>22,103</u>	<u>11,850</u>	<u>100,247</u>
<b>NET BOOK VALUE</b>				
At 31 March 2025	<u>80,129</u>	<u>9,442</u>	<u>1,065</u>	<u>90,636</u>
At 31 March 2024	<u>86,649</u>	<u>7,330</u>	<u>2,156</u>	<u>96,135</u>

Kitchen equipment was donated by Nando's. It has not been possible to put a value on this.

11 DEBTORS	2025	2024
	£	£
Other Debtors	20,809	17,079
Prepayments	1,012	2,281
	<u>21,821</u>	<u>19,360</u>

In 2025 £15,557 relates to restricted funds (2024 £4,257).

12 LIABILITIES: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR	2025	2024
	£	£
Other Creditors	29,558	13,802
Other Taxes and Social Security Costs	4,372	3,810
Deferred Income	38,619	16,393
Accruals	23,778	30,121
	<u>96,327</u>	<u>64,126</u>

In 2025 £69,578 is restricted funds (2024 £35,339).

13 DEFERRED INCOME	2025	2024
	£	£
Deferred income comprises grants paid in advance (restricted income).		
Balance as at 1st April	16,393	47,978
Amount released to income earned from charitable activities	(16,393)	(47,978)
Amount deferred in the year	38,619	16,393
Balance as at 31st March	<u>38,619</u>	<u>16,393</u>

## 14 TRUSTEE REMUNERATION AND EXPENSES

Except as disclosed below no remuneration has been paid or is due to be paid to any of the trustees in respect of the period. No reimbursement of expenses has been made or is due to be made to any of the trustees in respect of the period.

Payment of £1,920 was made to Clover Hudson for running yoga classes. Under Article 4 of the current rules trustees cannot sell services to the charity. The charity proposed amendments to these Articles of Association voted on at the last AGM were insufficient to cover such related party transactions so a further amendment will be proposed at the next AGM, to allow payments in a limited number of circumstances for services that do not relate to the acting as a trustee.

## 15 CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

	2025	2024
	£	£
At 31 March	nil	nil

## NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

16 ANALYSIS OF CHARITABLE FUNDS	At 1st April 2024	Incoming Resources	Expenditure	Transfers	At 31st March 2025
<i>Analysis of Movement in Restricted Funds</i>	£	£	£	£	£
<b>Centre</b>					
Our Manchester VCS	-	86,719	(86,719)	-	-
Henry Smith Charity	1,144	31,533	(31,600)	-	1,077
Big Lottery	-	47,867	(48,200)	333	-
Big Lottery - Cost of Living	-	-	-	-	-
Big Lottery - Million Hours	2,921	-	(2,921)	-	-
Trusthouse	1,387	18,623	(19,895)	-	115
Kitchen Fund Donations & Grants	-	16,187	(2,063)	(3,467)	10,657
Merseyfest	1,374	11,736	(9,313)	-	3,797
Donation in Kind - premises costs	-	24,000	(24,000)	-	-
NIF - Others	2,346	2,450	(1,998)	-	2,798
MCC Cost of Living	-	30,000	(13,165)	-	16,835
Restricted Donation - service user welfare	-	750	(750)	-	-
<b>Learning Hub</b>					
Southways - Learning Hub	-	19,992	(19,992)	-	-
MCC - Work & Skills	548	9,000	(9,548)	-	-
Revision	-	12,000	(12,000)	-	-
<b>Young People &amp; Playschemes</b>					
HAF	-	21,205	(21,205)	-	-
MCC YPP Play Day	-	250	(250)	-	-
MCC YPP	7,435	77,485	(83,578)	-	1,342
TFGM -Bike Project	5,460	1,656	(2,126)	(1,101)	3,889
Sport England	6,905	-	(5,649)	(1,256)	-
MCC - Hate Crime	38	-	(46)	8	-
CYP Core	4,098	-	(2,700)	-	1,398
<b>Older People &amp; Wellbeing</b>					
Aris	2,000	-	(2,003)	3	-
MCC Mcr Wellbeing Fund	1,233	-	-	-	1,233
Cost of Living Grants & Donations	3,500	-	-	-	3,500
Duchy of Lancaster	563	-	(564)	1	-
Illuminate	704	-	-	-	704
Skipton Building Society	-	1,000	(254)	-	746
Greater Manchester Sports Partnership	-	100	(100)	-	-
Manchester Univ. NHS Foundation Trust	-	3,000	(300)	-	2,700
Climate Action Project	-	510	-	-	510
White House	1,640	-	(275)	-	1,365
Southway - Uniforms	1,755	-	(285)	-	1,470
Southway - Music for Mindfulness	775	-	(399)	-	376
NIF	2,578	-	-	-	2,578
Over 60's Contributions	1,752	-	-	-	1,752
Donations	2,419	-	(710)	(4)	1,705
Southway Housing	71	-	-	-	71
Diabetes Project	3,330	-	(1,909)	-	1,421
South Neighbourhood Team - NIF - "The Den"	565	-	(173)	-	392
Small Grants	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Nursery</b>					
Nursery & Out of School Club Contributions	-	1,791	(1,791)	-	-
DLA	-	1,820	(1,820)	-	-
Welfare	-	385	(385)	-	-
<i>Continued over ....</i>	<b>56,541</b>	<b>420,059</b>	<b>(408,686)</b>	<b>(5,483)</b>	<b>62,431</b>

## NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

16 cont ...

	At 1st April 2024	Incoming Resources	Expenditure	Transfers	At 31st March 2025
	£	£	£	£	£
<b>Restricted Funds from previous page</b>	56,541	420,059	(408,686)	(5,483)	62,431
<b>Capital Funds</b>					
Veolia	28,924	-	(2,718)	-	26,206
Wates	10,001	-	(909)	-	9,092
MCC- S Mcr Regeneration	6,005	-	(545)	-	5,460
Early Years - Playground	12,270	-	(1,123)	-	11,147
Southway Donation in Kind	2,370	-	(463)	-	1,907
Opens	121	-	(121)	-	-
NIF - TV	1,778	-	(596)	-	1,182
Young Manchester	862	-	(288)	-	574
NIF - SEN	236	-	(140)	-	96
TFGM - Bike Project	5,719	-	(697)	1,101	6,123
Sport England	-	-	-	1,256	1,256
Kitchen Fund Donations	-	-	-	3,467	3,467
Youth Investment Fund - Music Room	16,711	-	(1,405)	-	15,306
Total Capital Funds	<u>84,997</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(9,005)</u>	<u>5,824</u>	<u>81,816</u>
Total Restricted Funds	<u>141,538</u>	<u>420,059</u>	<u>(417,691)</u>	<u>341</u>	<u>144,247</u>
<b>Analysis of Movement in Unrestricted Funds:</b>					
Designated Capital	3,672		(400)	5,994	9,266
Designated Funds					
Good Things Foundation - Learning Hub	13,003	8,400	(18,691)	-	2,712
Big Life - Learning Hub	3,946	2,500	(3,671)	-	2,775
	<u>20,621</u>	<u>10,900</u>	<u>(22,762)</u>	<u>5,994</u>	<u>14,753</u>
General Funds	<u>147,382</u>	<u>111,641</u>	<u>(136,059)</u>	<u>(6,335)</u>	<u>116,629</u>
Total Unrestricted Funds	<u>168,003</u>	<u>122,541</u>	<u>(158,821)</u>	<u>(341)</u>	<u>131,382</u>
Total Funds	<u>309,541</u>	<u>542,600</u>	<u>(576,512)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>275,629</u>

**Third Party Grants**

BMCA received third party grants of 24,100 during the year. As BMCA were merely acting as a conduit for these funds and not accountable for them, the figures have not been reflected in income or expenditure.

Other grants administered for third parties are shown on the previous page.

At 31st March 2025 BMCA held £26,271 on behalf of other groups..

## NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

## 16 (cont...) Previous Year

ANALYSIS OF CHARITABLE FUNDS	At 1st April 2023	Incoming Resources	Expenditure	Transfers	At 31st March 2024
<i>Analysis of Movement in Restricted Funds</i>	£	£	£	£	£
<b>Centre</b>					
Our Manchester VCS	-	86,719	(86,719)		-
Henry Smith Charity	-	31,133	(29,989)		1,144
Big Lottery	1,710	71,212	(72,929)	7	-
Big Lottery - Cost of Living	-	62,567	(62,571)	4	-
Big Lottery - Million Hours	-	9,487	(6,566)		2,921
Trusthouse	-	21,696	(20,309)		1,387
Forever Manchester	-	100	(100)		-
Merseyfest	2,152	6,716	(7,494)		1,374
Donation in Kind - premises costs	-	24,000	(24,000)		-
NIF - Others	3,729	500	(1,883)		2,346
Beautiful South	154	1,500	(1,654)		-
High Sheriff	-	-	-		-
Learning Hub	-	-	-		-
Southways - Learning Hub	-	19,992	(19,992)		-
MCC - Work & Skills	1,500	10,000	(10,952)		548
Other	-	150	(150)		-
Young People & Playschemes					
HAF	-	16,873	(16,873)		-
MCC YPP	-	65,288	(57,853)		7,435
TFGM -Bike Project	-	11,656	(477)	(5,719)	5,460
Sport England	1,032	10,399	(4,526)		6,905
MCC - Hate Crime	-	1,500	(1,462)		38
CYP Core	4,535	1,220	(1,657)		4,098
Older People & Wellbeing					
Aris	2,000	-	-		2,000
MCC Mcr Wellbeing Fund	1,276	-	(43)		1,233
Cost of Living Grants & Donations	5,661	3,721	(5,882)		3,500
<b>Duchy of Lancaster</b>	1,900	-	(1,337)		563
Illuminate	1,280	-	(576)		704
MCC- Hate Crime	47	-	(47)		-
White House	-	2,500	(860)		1,640
Southway - Uniforms	1,900	-	(145)		1,755
Southway - Music for Mindfulness	1,227	-	(452)		775
NIF	-	3,829	(1,251)		2,578
Manchester Airport	593	-	(593)		-
Manchester Relief in Need	2,250	-	(2,250)		-
Over 60's Contributions	1,717	35	-		1,752
Donations	2,401	18	-		2,419
Southway Housing	195	-	(124)		71
Diabetes Project	-	7,000	(3,670)		3,330
South Neighbourhood Team - NIF - "The Den"	738	-	(173)		565
<b>Small Grants</b>	60	1,675	(1,735)		-
Nursery					
SEN	-	2,151	(1,915)	(236)	-
Nursery Fees & Contributions	-	2,523	(2,523)		-
Out of School Club	-	1,660	(1,660)		-
Welfare	-	105	(105)		-
<i>Continued over ....</i>	38,057	477,925	(453,497)	(5,944)	56,541

## NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

16 cont ...	At 1st April 2023	Incoming Resources	Expenditure	Transfers	At 31st March 2024
	£	£	£	£	£
<b>Restricted Funds from previous page</b>	38,057	477,925	(453,497)	(5,944)	56,541
<b>Capital Funds</b>					
Veolia	31,642	-	(2,718)		28,924
Wates	10,910	-	(909)		10,001
MCC- S Mcr Regeneration	6,550	-	(545)		6,005
Early Years - Playground	13,393	-	(1,123)		12,270
Southway Donation in Kind	2,833	-	(463)		2,370
Opens	243	-	(122)		121
NIF - The Den	174	-	(174)		-
NIF - TV	2,374	-	(596)		1,778
Young Manchester	1,150	-	(288)		862
SEN	-	-	-	236	236
TFGM - Bike Project	-	-	-	5,719	5,719
Youth Investment Fund - Music Room	-	18,288	(1,577)		16,711
Total Capital Funds	69,269	18,288	(8,515)	5,955	84,997
Total Restricted Funds	107,326	496,213	(462,012)	11	141,538
<b>Analysis of Movement in Unrestricted Funds:</b>					
Designated Capital	3,133		(783)	1,322	3,672
Designated Funds					
Good Things Foundation - Learning Hub	4,741	10,600	(2,338)	-	13,003
Big Life - Learning Hub	1,446	2,500	-	-	3,946
	9,320	13,100	(3,121)	1,322	20,621
General Funds	103,536	110,800	(65,621)	(1,333)	147,382
Total Unrestricted Funds	112,856	123,900	(68,742)	(11)	168,003
Total Funds	220,182	620,113	(530,754)	-	309,541

## 17 ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS BETWEEN FUNDS

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2025
	£	£	£
Tangible Fixed Assets	3,672	86,964	90,636
Net Current Assets	127,710	57,283	184,993
	131,382	144,247	275,629
Previous Year			
	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2024
	£	£	£
Tangible Fixed Assets	3,133	93,002	96,135
Net Current Assets	164,870	48,536	213,406
	168,003	141,538	309,541

## 18 FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

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

## 19 GOING CONCERN

The company's main source of income is grant funding and rental income. The trustees consider that it is appropriate to prepare the accounts on a going concern basis and, consequently, the accounts do not include any adjustments that would be necessary if the funding income should cease. With regard to the securing of income for 2025/26 and the continuing support of funders trustees are confident that the Centre remains a going concern.

## 20 POST BALANCE SHEET EVENTS

The trustees consider that there are no significant post balance sheet events that impact on the financial statements as presented. Provision has been made for redundancy due to the closure of the nursery.

## 21 CONTROL OF THE COMPANY

Control of the company lies with the volunteer trustees named on Page 1.



# IMPACT REPORT 2024-2025



# BMCA CHAIR'S REPORT

*Hello and welcome to the Impact Report for Barlow Moor Community Association 2024/2025.*



**I know I say this at the start of every report but I'm proud of everything we've achieved this year! BMCA continues to be a place where people feel safe, supported, and part of a caring community. We've helped families, children and young people, and older residents through services like childcare, youth clubs, food support, training, trips out and a wide variety of social activities and events.**

Reducing the impact of poverty is central to our work. We've helped people with emergency food, helped getting access to benefits and housing advice, and offered free courses to build confidence and skills. We know poverty affects every part of life and we're working hard to make sure people have the support they need to move forward and get their confidence back.

We're also tackling loneliness, especially among older residents and those facing difficult circumstances. Through social groups, community meals, and friendly drop-ins, we've helped people feel more connected and less alone.

This year, we were excited to open our smart and shiny new kitchen. It has already helped us run more community meals, cooking sessions, and social events bringing people together and creating a warm, welcoming space for everyone.

We've also seen the power of creative expression in our community. Through poetry workshops and creative writing, people have found new ways to

share their experiences and connect with others. Look out for the poem in the report written by a talented local resident that beautifully captures the spirit of BMCA and the strength of our community.

Our volunteers are at the heart of everything we do. They give their time and energy every week running activities, supporting events, and simply being there for others. Their kindness and commitment make a real difference, and BMCA couldn't do what it does without them.

Looking ahead, we want to grow our services, make sure we're financially secure, and involve more local voices in shaping what we do. Times continue to be tough for voluntary organisations, but our goal is to keep BMCA strong, welcoming, and ready to meet the needs of our community.

On a personal note, my favourite thing about BMCA is walking through the door and knowing that there will be a warm and friendly welcome, smiling faces and something interesting going on. It's a very special place to be involved with.

Together, we can build a stronger BMCA for the future one that continues to support, inspire, and bring people together.

Thank you to our brilliant staff, volunteers, Board members, funders, and partners. Your support makes all of this possible.

Warm wishes,

**Joanna Midgley**

**Chair, Barlow Moor Community Association**

# DRIVING CHANGE

## *BMCA actively works to influence positive change at both local and sector levels, building strong partnerships and empowering community voices.*

Our Cost-of-Living Partnership stands as a powerful example of collective impact. Collaborating with over 40 local organisations, we continued to provide crucial support to individuals and families, especially during the challenging Christmas period.

This coordinated effort included delivering Christmas Dinner in a Bag, supporting Mission Christmas toy distribution, and providing emergency food parcels and Christmas Eve surplus food. By working in partnership, we've minimized duplication, ensuring that support reaches a wider network of those in need.

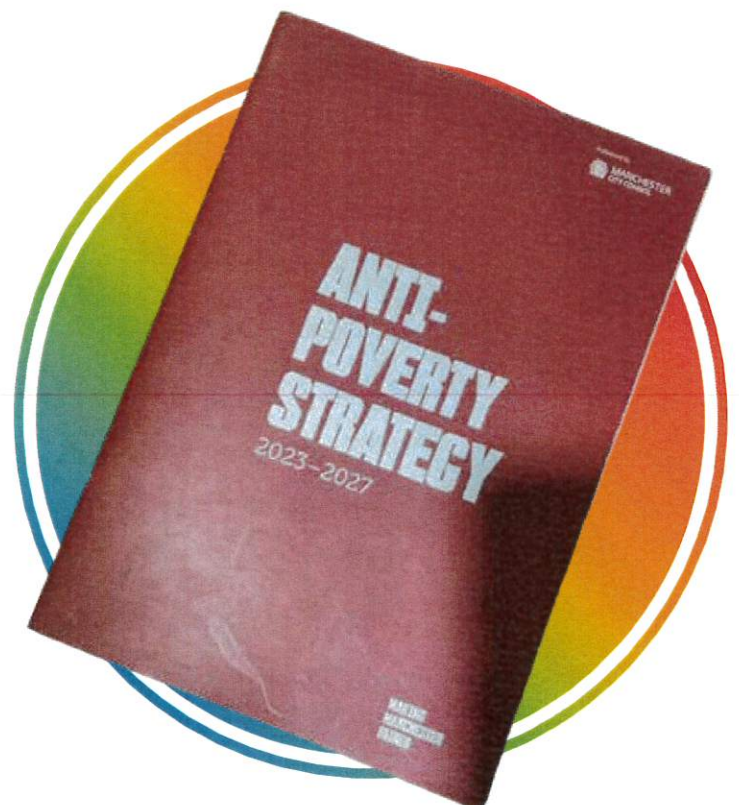


Our reputation as a trusted community hub is further evidenced by the 100 individuals referred to BMCA from external partners, highlighting the essential role we play within the broader support network.

Our newly enhanced newsletter is also a key tool in driving change, effectively promoting our wide range of services and events to a broader audience through social media, our website, and direct distribution.

In addition to our cost of living and anti-poverty work we are also working with **Something To Aim For** to facilitate **Manchester City Councils Anti-Poverty Insight Group**.

*Providing a critical friend to the city's response to tackling poverty.*



# REDUCING THE IMPACT OF POVERTY

*Alleviating the burden of poverty remains a core focus for BMCA, and our comprehensive support services have made a tangible difference in the lives of many.*

Our **hot food provision** has grown significantly, with approximately **2,741** meals served over the past year, made up of **2,676** community lunches, **45** community Christmas dinners and **20** Christmas Day meals.

This service provides vital, nutritious meals to individuals experiencing financial hardship, combating food insecurity and reducing isolation.

Our **school uniform support** proved invaluable, assisting **42** families with access to essential school uniform and shoes, often covering costs that can exceed **£300** for a secondary school uniform.

We distributed a remarkable **£2,415 in supermarket vouchers (874 vouchers)** and provided **164** support packs/emergency food parcels.

Furthermore, we issued **426 food bank vouchers**, connecting individuals to essential resources.

The **“Let’s Cook”** program expanded to include slow cooker and air fryer recipes, empowering service users with skills for cost-effective and healthy meal preparation.

*“I really enjoy learning how to cook different meals, and I am then also able to have it for my tea, it’s a double win for me.”*



*Overall, our comprehensive Cost of Living support directly assisted 256 individuals without duplication across various Christmas and winter initiatives.*

# REDUCING THE IMPACT OF POVERTY



**A landmark achievement this year was the development of our new, fully functional commercial kitchen, made possible through strong partnerships with Siemens and Nando's.**

Their generous support has transformed our facilities, enabling us to significantly increase our capacity to provide meals and create new opportunities for skills development and training in the hospitality sector.



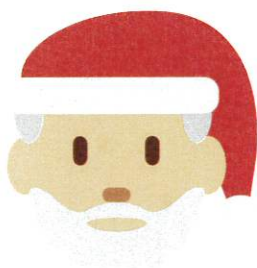
Our **Winter Warmer** event, in partnership with Groundwork and Citizen's Advice, distributed **60 winter warmer packs**, helping attendees keep their homes warm and access tailored information on energy usage and available support services.



Our **Christmas Day Dinner**, delivered by dedicated volunteers, served a three-course hot meal to **20** individuals who would otherwise have spent the day alone, significantly reducing loneliness and isolation.



The annual **Mission Christmas campaign** was a resounding success, providing toys to **176** children. This initiative significantly eased the financial and emotional strain for families during Christmas, ensuring no child wakes up on Christmas morning without a toy.



*"Thank you so much this was well needed, you don't understand how much I was struggling and needed it."*

*"Thank you so much for the gifts, it really will make a big difference to my children"*



## SOCIAL ACTION

**Our 78 dedicated volunteers are the backbone of our social action efforts, contributing countless hours to support our mission.**

*We believe in empowering individuals and groups to actively participate in shaping a better community and a healthier environment.*

**Our commitment to environmental sustainability and climate action was clearly demonstrated through the “Keep Manchester Tidy” initiative.**

A special highlight was a community litter pick organised with a newly registered volunteer from the Kurdish community, which brought together **25 participants**. This initiative not only improved the local area but also fostered a strong sense of pride and ownership. As one local person observed,

*“walking home today there was a noticeable difference after the litter pick.”*



The newly launched **BMCA Bike Library**, in partnership with Transport for Greater Manchester (TFGM), has been a significant success. Offering free access to a range of bikes for both children and adults, it breaks down financial barriers to cycling, promoting sustainable travel and enhancing physical and mental wellbeing. We’ve invested in new cycling infrastructure, including bike racks and secure storage, and provide essential accessories like helmets, locks, and lights, ensuring safe and convenient use. Our free bike maintenance station also empowers local people to keep their bikes in good condition.

# UNIVERSAL SERVICES

*BMCA provides a wide array of accessible services designed to enhance wellbeing, foster lifelong learning, and build stronger community connections for all ages.*

Our **Reception team**, supported by **4** dedicated volunteers, is the welcoming heart of BMCA. They pride themselves on offering a warm, professional, and empathetic first point of contact. Through Initial Advice and Guidance (IAG), they actively listen and assess needs, effectively signposting individuals to the right support. This approach fosters trust, with many service users gaining the confidence to engage further with our services, often starting with a simple chat or coffee.



The **BMCA Library** continues to be a highly valued community space, recording **3174** visits between April 1, 2024, and March 31, 2025.

It offers a quiet space for reading, studying, computer access, and meetings, supporting learning, connection, and personal development for all age groups.

## NURSERY SERVICES

**Our Nursery has welcomed 25 children over the year, fostering a love of learning.**

We've strengthened our provision through partnerships with CAHMS, Quality Assurance, Health Visitors, and local schools.

Our commitment to staff development saw 5 staff members completing training and 3 gaining qualifications, including **two** Level 3 NVQs in Early Education and one in Early Years SENCO training. Parents consistently highlight the positive impact:

*"My child has settled well into Nursery. His speech has developed so much in a few weeks. The staff have made him feel so welcome and comfortable."*



A CAHMS observer noted **"lovely interactions between staff and children,"** praising the team's engagement and conflict resolution skills.

The Nursery also supported families by managing **32 MCC School Holiday Food Vouchers**, holding **13 TAF** (Team Around the Family) Meetings, and completing **4 EHA's** (Early Help Assessments).

# UNIVERSAL SERVICES

## YOUTH & PLAY SERVICES

The Youth & Play (Y&P) Team had a successful year, increasing participation among children and young people.

Despite staffing challenges, they maintained and improved the quality of their diverse activities, which included academic support, sports programs, and exciting trips like **Go Karting** and **Ice Skating** with **44 attendees** and a **Christmas Pantomime** which saw **52 children** and their families attending.

They also led themed projects for **Black History Month** and **Hate Crime Awareness** with **74 children** and young people taking part.

**Easter and Summer Playschemes** welcomed **67 individual children**.

The team focused on holistic wellbeing and developing life skills, with a budgeting project being particularly useful for young people. Their dedication to building a “tightly-knit and supportive community” is evident, with young people gaining empowerment through participation in planning.



The development of 8 young volunteers, including a **Youth Buzz Award** finalist, and the provision of **Bleedkit** training for **10 young people**, highlight their commitment to fostering leadership and crucial life skills.



**800**  
ATTENDED  
MERSEYFEST



**50+**  
ATTENDED  
SPOOKYFEST



**127**  
PARTICIPANTS BROUGHT  
TOGETHER THROUGH  
SANTA DASH

# UNIVERSAL SERVICES

## LEARNING HUB

**The Learning Hub (accessed by 120 individuals) achieved significant success, undergoing a full Matrix Assessment in December 2024.**

The assessor's overwhelmingly positive feedback praised the "positive, welcoming and supportive working culture" and the effectiveness of our Information, Advice and Guidance (IAG) services in enabling "meaningful progression opportunities."



Many staff, like our Chef David and our Receptionist Toni, began their journey as BMCA service users and have since transitioned into employment within the centre.



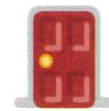
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INDIVIDUALS MOVING  
CLOSER TO THE JOB  
MARKET



**119**

QUALIFICATIONS  
WERE ACHIEVED



**25**

JOB  
OUTCOMES



**353**

ADULTS ACCESSED  
PROVISION



**143**

INDIVIDUALS  
ACCESSED HEALTH AND  
WELLBEING SERVICES



**135**

INDIVIDUALS REACHED  
FOR 1-TO-1 FIAG  
SUPPORT



**2**

COLLEGE/UNIVERSITY  
PLACEMENTS

## SOCIAL ACTIVITIES

**Our Cake & Conversation group continues to thrive, with around 12 older individuals attending weekly, planning their activities and fostering strong social connections.**

Social Afternoons have also seen increased engagement, providing vital opportunities for social interaction through activities like bingo, Play Your Cards Right, and creative workshops. Participants expressed their enjoyment, with one noting:

*"I really enjoy the social afternoons, particularly the bingo."*



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SCHOOL WORK  
EXPERIENCE  
PLACEMENTS

# VIBRANT COMMUNITIES

*BMCA is dedicated to fostering a lively and interconnected community through engaging events and shared experiences.*

Our annual **upcycling event** and weekly **sewing group** (in partnership with Men in Sheds) promote creative and practical ways to reduce waste, teaching participants how to repair, redesign, and upcycle clothing, thereby fostering sustainable fashion and developing new skills.



The **intergenerational trip to Llandudno** was a highlight, taking **over 100 individuals** from Adult Services and Children and Young People departments on a memorable shared experience, strengthening community bonds across generations.

# POSITIVE CHANGE

*The collective efforts across all our services lead to profound positive changes in the lives of individuals and the strength of our community.*

## STAYING CONNECTED

We helped **161 people** stay connected through the distribution of **66 SIM cards**, **6 My 5's**, and **89 instances** of digital support, bridging digital divides and combating isolation.

## ACTIVE LIFESTYLES

**58 individuals** stayed active through a range of sessions including **yoga, walk and talk, chair-based exercises, and chair yoga**, promoting physical and mental wellbeing.



## CREATIVE WRITING

**Our Creative Writing sessions, led by a passionate volunteer, have been a "resounding success."**



Attended by **8-10 regular participants** monthly, these sessions provided an invaluable creative outlet, building confidence and fostering connection.

*"Absolutely loved it,"*

*"When is the next one I have so many ideas to write about,"*

*"That was great, we read out some of our work and it was amazing."*

*Our Barlow Moor is friendships hard as iron, days buzzing with belonging, knowing you're cared for. It's what do you need right now? Tea milky the way you like, toast at crochet sessions, real butter dribbling down your chin.*

*It's a 93-year-old living for music every Friday, where the magic happens. It's a Greek bouzouki, a tin whistle, people of all ages, all capabilities. It's teaching someone two chords and they're away.*

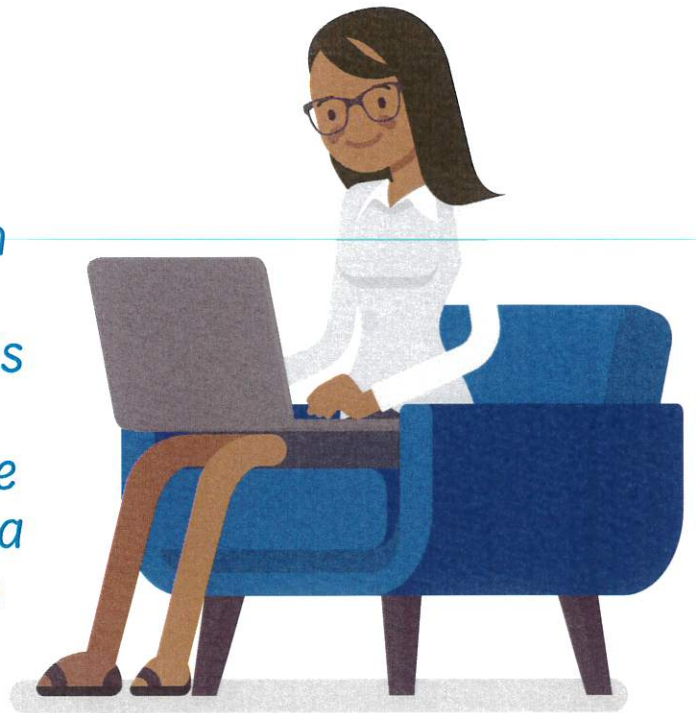
*It's the bike library, spooky fest and men's den, harmonising yin and yang energy in tai chi, yoga keeping us healthy even when we wobble, it's eight hundred people coming to Merseyfest. It's the tireless work of the staff, keeping people alive, how well they take a joke, welcome young and old.*

*It's the volunteers, all the kindness we need today, it's every time you come in, another precious memory.*

*Our Barlow Moor is Santa's first first stop, nobody alone at Christmas, it's like a big fluffy arm around you, the friends you gain, the heart and soul. It's being lifted after loss, a life-line. It's come on in, it's just walk through the door.*

# MY JOURNEY

*“As a mature woman I came to know about BMCA through the job centre when moving from tax credits to universal credits. Due to this I needed to start to look for work and as a stay-at-home mum for 25 years this was a big task, and I asked my job coach for help.*



**The job centre then mentioned BMCA and suggested that I asked about courses and help towards looking for work.**

I contacted the centre about the support they offer and was invited in to discuss how they could support me more.

When I first came, I spent time going over what they could help me with, and they also spoke to me about volunteer work that was available at the centre and I also had a tour of the centre.

I initially joined the digital support session to develop my digital skills which would then help me to carry out job searches and complete applications. Whilst at the centre I was told about a level 1 preparing to work in schools' course that was starting, I was keen to complete this so put my name down.

During the course I regularly meet with my tutor who shared information and knowledge with me providing me with the support and feedback to complete the written evidence needed for the course. Whilst doing the course we often spoke about work experience, and this then led me to discuss volunteering at the nursery within the centre.

I was really pleased when I meet the nursery manager who asked me about my experiences and the days I would like to volunteer, she also spoke to me about the need to have a DBS which the centre would help me with.

As soon as I received my DBS I had a full induction into the centre and also the nursery I was apprehensive as I had not been working for such a long time. I was put at ease and welcomed by the nursery staff and children. I gained experience of working with children from diverse backgrounds and children with special needs. I was supported fully by the staff supervising the children inside and outside, I offered comfort to the children and kept them safe, I learnt how to adapt my communication to develop relationships with the children.

I am still I volunteer at the centre in the nursery and after gaining my level 1 preparing to work in schools' qualification I am currently on the level 2 preparing to work in schools' course with a group of people who are also looking for work.

My main goal is to acquire professional level experience and as much as possible and have qualifications that will better enhance me getting into employment.

Everyone who I have come into contact with at BMCA have helped and supported me to reach my goals which I am very grateful for.”

# CEO STATEMENT

*Every year, our impact report gives us a moment to pause, reflect, and celebrate the journey we've taken together.*

At Barlow Moor Community Association (BMCA), we believe in the power of community to create positive change, and 2024 has been a remarkable chapter in that story.

This year, we've continued to stir the ingredients of our community recipe blending compassion, resilience, and innovation to meet the evolving needs of our community (now this only makes sense if you read last years Impact Report so if not head to our website and take a look). From alleviating the immediate pressures of poverty to fostering lifelong learning and building vibrant connections, our work reflects a holistic approach to community wellbeing.

So, let's return to our metaphorical kitchen for a moment. If last year was about baking the cake, this year has been about refining the recipe, making sure every ingredient is balanced, every flavour is felt, and every slice reaches those who need it most.

## Our 2024/25 Ingredients...



### Universal Services

These remain the foundation of our daily delivery. Our children and young peoples work, job club, training programmes, wellbeing activities, and social afternoons continue to provide stability and opportunity for all ages.



### Social Action

The richness of our community spirit shines through our forums, volunteering pathways, charity shop, and bike library. These projects empower individuals to give back, connect, and lead change.



### Reducing Poverty

Our work tackling poverty, from emergency food support to cost-of-living partnerships, ensures that no one is left behind. It's the glue that holds our mission together.



### Driving Change

This year, our partnerships have grown stronger and more impactful. Collaborations with Manchester Central Foodbank, Something To Aim For, and the University of Manchester have amplified our voice and extended our reach, helping us influence change at both local and city-wide levels.

As you read through this report, you'll see the stories, statistics, and smiles that show just how far we've come.

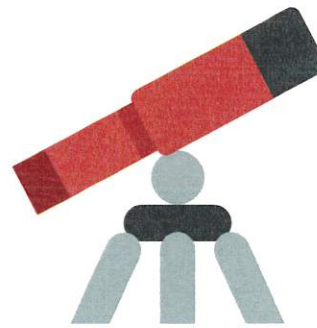
We are immensely proud of what we've achieved together. But we know the journey doesn't end here. The challenges facing our community are evolving, and so too must our response. With a new 5-year business plan in motion and a team of passionate staff, volunteers, and partners, we're ready to rise to the occasion once again.

*Here's to 2025/26 – let's keep baking, building, and believing.*

*Becky & Toni*



# LOOKING AHEAD



## Our Focus for 2025/26

*Building on the successes and lessons of the past year, BMCA is committed to further deepening its impact in 2025. Our key areas of focus will include:*

### Expanding Reach and Deeper Impact in Poverty Reduction

We will leverage our new commercial kitchen to significantly increase our hot meal provision and explore new partnerships to further expand our food and financial support, ensuring that no one in our community is left behind in the face of rising costs. We aim to reach even more families with essential support like school uniforms and winter warmers.

### Empowering Through Skills and Opportunity

We will build on the success of our Learning Hub. Our focus will be on developing more tailored skills-based training, utilising our new kitchen for hospitality training, and strengthening pathways to employment and volunteering within and beyond BMCA.

### Enhancing Digital Inclusion and Connection

Recognising the vital role of digital access, we will seek to expand our digital support initiatives, providing more devices, connectivity solutions, and digital literacy training to ensure everyone can stay connected and access essential online resources.

### Nurturing Future Generations

We will continue to invest in our Children & Young People services, further developing programs that promote holistic wellbeing, life skills, and safe, engaging spaces. This includes exploring new ways to empower young volunteers and expand their leadership opportunities.

### Strengthening Community Resilience and Wellbeing

We will continue to foster vibrant community spaces and activities, exploring new intergenerational programs and environmental initiatives that bring people together, reduce isolation, and promote sustainable living. We'll actively listen to community feedback to ensure our offerings remain relevant and impactful.





# JOIN US IN MAKING A DIFFERENCE

*The achievements outlined in this report are only possible through the generosity and commitment of our community. As we look to the future, your support is more vital than ever.*

**Here's how you can continue to make a tangible difference:**

## **Donate**

Your financial contribution directly fuels our programs, providing meals, supporting families, and creating opportunities. Every pound makes a real impact.

## **Volunteer**

Lend your time and skills to any of our diverse services, from helping in the kitchen or library to supporting youth activities. Your dedication is invaluable.

## **Spread the Word**

Share this Impact Report with your networks. Help us raise awareness about the critical work happening at BMCA and inspire others to get involved.

## **Partner With Us:**

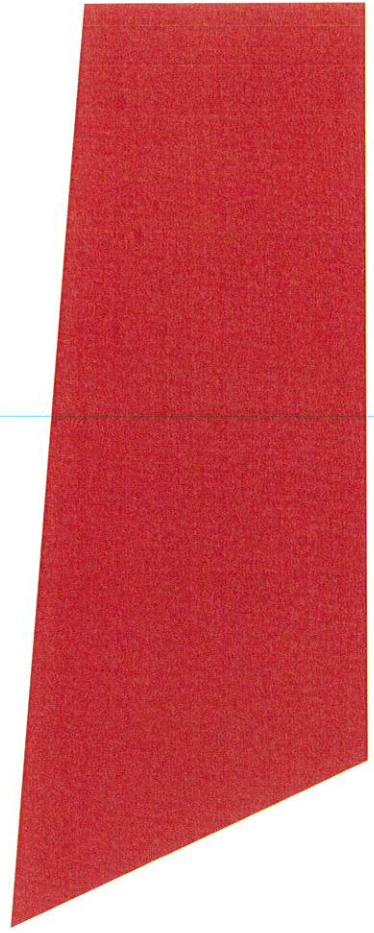
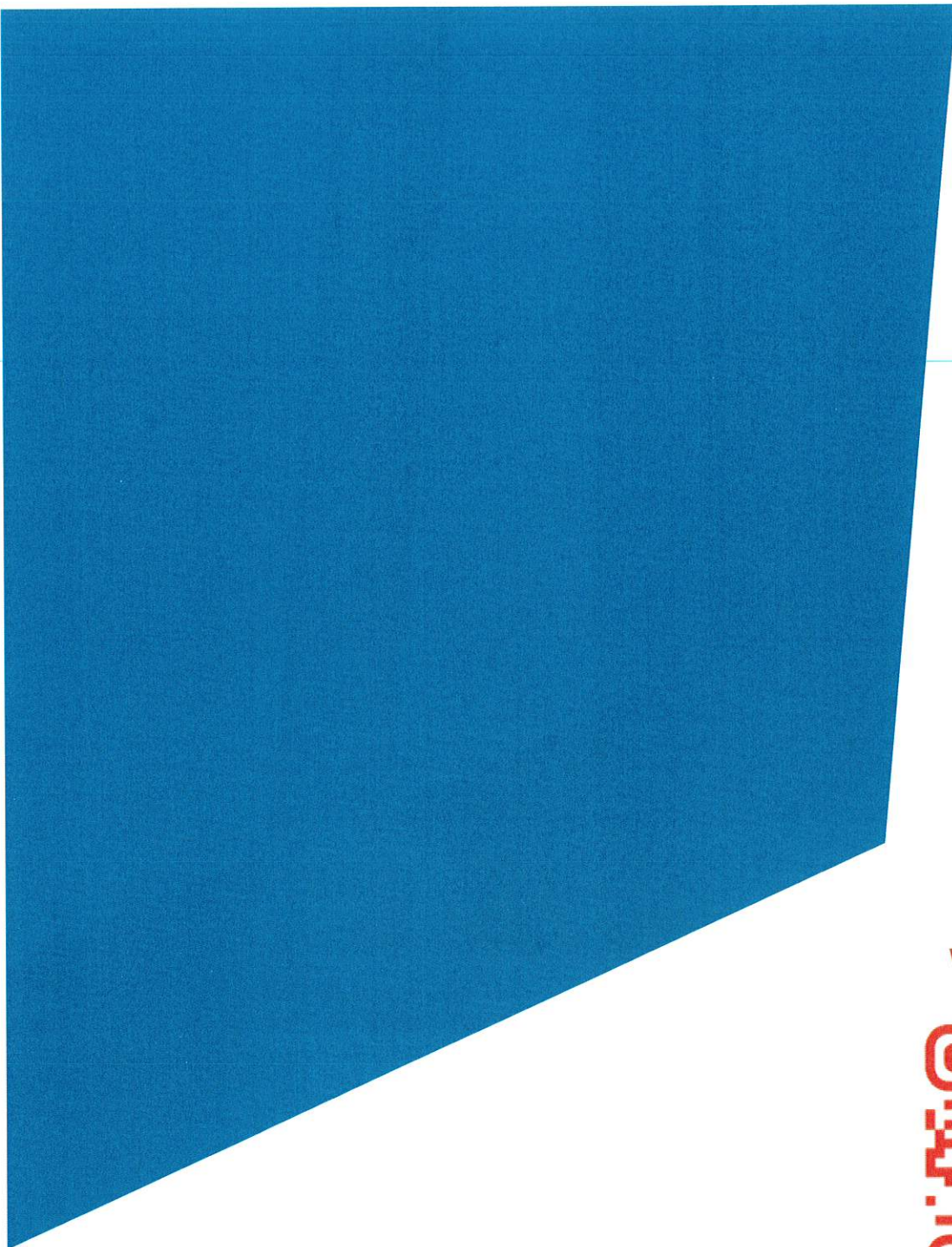
If you are an organisation, business, or community group interested in collaborating, we welcome the opportunity to work together to strengthen our community.

## **Stay Connected**

Follow us on social media and subscribe to our revitalised newsletter to stay updated on our progress and upcoming events.

Together, we can continue to build a community where everyone thrives, feels valued, and has the opportunity to reach their full potential.

**Thank you for being a part of the Barlow Moor Community Association family.**



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# Accounts

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**BARLOW MOOR COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION LIMITED**

**REGISTERED COMPANY NUMBER 07476646 (ENGLAND)  
REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER: 1142217**

**FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024**

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## BARLOW MOOR COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION LIMITED

### Report of the trustees for the year ended 31<sup>ST</sup> March 2024

The trustees present their annual directors' report and financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2024 which are also prepared to meet the requirements for a directors' report and accounts for Companies Act purposes.

The financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the Companies Act 2006, the Memorandum and Articles of Association, and the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019).

### Reference and administrative information

Charity Name: Barlow Moor Community Association Limited

Charity Number: 1142217

Company No: 07476646

### Directors and trustees

The directors of the charitable company (the charity) are its trustees for the purpose of charity law.

The trustees and officers serving during the year and since the year end were as follows:

Ms Joanna Midgley	(Chair)
Mrs Christine Davis	(Treasurer, resigned 13 <sup>th</sup> September 2023)
Mr Philip Davis	(resigned 13 <sup>th</sup> September 2023)
Rev. Anne Pilkington	(resigned 13 <sup>th</sup> September 2023)
Mrs Michelle Hodges	(appointed to role of Treasurer from 13 <sup>th</sup> September 2023)
Mr Luke Hodges	(resigned 13 <sup>th</sup> September 2023)
Ms Helen Sharples	(appointed to role of Company Secretary from 13 <sup>th</sup> September 2023)
Miss Clover Hudson	(Vice Chair)
Mr George Coombs	
Rev. Thomas Phipps	(appointed 13 <sup>th</sup> September 2023)

### Key Management Personnel: Trustees and Directors

Ms Joanna Midgley                      Chair of Trustees

Senior Managers:

Ms Rebecca Elliot, Ms Toni Toner

Miss Philomena Sales

### Registered Office

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### Independent Examiners

Community Accountancy Service Limited

The Grange, Pilgrim Drive, Beswick, Manchester M11 3TQ

### Bankers

Cooperative Bank plc, 1 Balloon Street, Manchester, M60 4EP

Epworth Investment Management, 9 Bonhill Street, London, EC2A 4PE

## BARLOW MOOR COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION LIMITED

### Objectives and activities

The purposes of the charity are:

- to promote the benefit of the inhabitants of Barlow Moor and its environs without distinction of sex, sexual orientation, race or of political, religious or other opinion by associating together the said inhabitants and the local authorities, voluntary or other organisations in a common effort to advance education
- to provide facilities in the interests of social welfare for recreation and leisure time occupation with the object of improving the condition of life for the said inhabitants.
- to secure the establishment of a community centre and to maintain and manage the same whether alone or in cooperation with any local authority or other person or body in furtherance of these objects, and
- such other purposes as may be charitable according to the law of England and Wales and to relieve the poverty of the public in England by the provision of free and confidential information about charitable, voluntary, health and public services.

The trustees confirm that they have referred to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit when reviewing the Charity's aims and objectives, in planning future activities, and setting the policies for the year.

BMCA takes a holistic approach to tackling poverty, acknowledging that this is not simply about a lack of money but also a lack of opportunities and choice. We support families through inter-generational services and activities tackling complex lives and providing early intervention to prevent those most vulnerable facing increased need and escalation. The charity furthers its charitable purposes for the public benefit through undertaking community activities including:

#### **Health and Wellbeing - A robust programme which supports the day-to-day challenges and the long-term resilience of local people:**

- Early intervention and enhanced support - intensive 1-1 support for individuals including financial resilience, and targeted support for disadvantaged individuals, daily warm hub, food projects such as community kitchen, emergency food parcels, foodbank and school uniform projects
- Health - mental health initiatives, health information days, exercise provision Yoga, Tai Chi, Mature movers chair-based exercise, walk and talk, breakfast and lunch club, social sessions such as Bingo, Games, movie afternoons, befriending, creative activities, Men's Den and Music for Mindfulness, seasonal themed events such as step into spring, autumn falls and winter warmer, staying safe in the home

Enhanced cost of living support – Leading on the neighbourhood cost-of-living partnership, anti-poverty work, and influencing change

#### **Community Development – A diverse programme that supports the development and delivery of services and realises the ambitions of the community:**

- Driving Change - Community Consultation, leading on/facilitating the friends of Merseybank community enterprise forum, empowering local people to have the confidence to direct reinvestment of profits to improve their lives and community spaces
- Social Action – Volunteer led – social enterprise delivery Charity Shop and Community Café,

## BARLOW MOOR COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION LIMITED

community garden. Volunteer facilitated sessions and community library, bike project, litter picks, children & young people social action

- Community-wide events: developing community cohesion through Merseyfest, Spookeyfest, Santa's First Stop, Play streets – Reclaiming the streets for the children and young people, providing a safe area to play and promoting and enhancing community cohesion

### **Advice/Education/Training/Employment – A robust education, training and employment programme with practical work readiness and work placement opportunities:**

- Matrix accredited Information Advice and Guidance, in work support through twilight 1-1 time 4 u sessions and group activities e.g. budgeting, childcare, travel costs and in-work benefit advice
- Employment support - Job club, Intensive 1-1 employability support e.g. CV workshops, interview skills, completing applications and Jobs fairs
- Informal training - mentoring, underpinning knowledge courses Confident Communication, Teamwork, Mind-set and Positive Thinking
- Accredited qualifications - In-house delivered accredited NCFE/Cache Qualifications cohorts in: Support work in school, Retail, Customer Service in Health & Social Care and Volunteering along with certificates in Food Hygiene, First Aid, Health & Safety, Allergy Awareness and Safeguarding
- Basic skills development - English Conversation Café, Everyday English and Maths and Digi Drop In (ICT)

### **Children and Young People - A comprehensive range of services for children and young people and their families:**

- Early Years provision 2 – 4-yrs - 30 place nursery offering 15 hours care per week
- Free Open access play and holiday play schemes for 5 – 12 yrs
- After school club -5-12yrs - affordable quality childcare
- Youth provision offers 1 Intermediate Youth session per week for 11– 14yr olds and 2 Senior Youth sessions per week for the 13+ age group.

Our wider offer includes excursions, community lunches, residential trips, and in addition, we are a venue for external groups e.g., Narcotics Anonymous, Credit Union, Be-Well, faith groups, private parties, local regeneration steering groups, social housing provider and local authority, MP and Councillors surgery, Citizens Advice and Foodbank.

### **Structure, governance and management**

Barlow Moor Community Association Limited is a company limited by guarantee governed by its Memorandum and Articles of Association dated 22<sup>nd</sup> December 2010. It is registered as a charity with the Charity Commission (dated 2nd June 2011).

### **Appointment of trustees**

As set out in the Articles of Association trustees are elected annually by the members of the charitable company attending the Annual General meeting. Each year one third of the trustees shall retire from office by rotation based on the longest standing and offer themselves for re-election.

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### **Trustee induction and training**

Trustees are given information about their role and responsibilities on first being appointed. They are also given a copy of the constitution, information about staffing and management, and are shown copies of policy documents.

Once appointed to subgroups they are given further information on funding, systems etc, and are trained in relevant procedures (eg. Bank reconciliation and other Quickbooks procedures for the treasurer).

### **Organisation**

The board of trustees administers the charity. The board normally meet bi-monthly. A Centre Management Team are appointed by the trustees to manage the day-to-day operations of the charity.

### **Related parties and co-operation with other organisations**

None of our trustees receive remuneration or other benefit from their work as a trustee with the charity. Any connection between a trustee or senior manager with any service providers must be disclosed to the full board of trustees in the same way as any other contractual relationship with a related party.

### **A review of our achievements and performance**

The main achievements during the year are set out in the Impact Report in the Appendix.

### **Financial review**

The charity had ended the year with income totalling £620,113 (2023 £521,175). Expenditure increased to £530,754 from £506,642 with most of this coming from restricted reserves. This left a surplus of £89,359 (2023 surplus of £14,533). Unrestricted reserves at the year end, were £168,003, up from £112,856 in 2023.

### **Investment powers and policy**

The trustees, having regard to the liquidity requirements of operating the charity, have kept available funds in an interest bearing deposit account.

### **Reserves policy and going concern**

The balance held in unrestricted reserves at 31<sup>st</sup> March 2023 was £168,003 of which £164,870 is free reserves, after allowing for funds tied up in tangible fixed assets. The charity has designated £20,621 of this to support specific activities. Restricted reserves totalled £141,538 with £93,002 relating to fixed assets (spent) and £48,536 relating to revenue.

The trustees aim to establish and maintain free reserves in unrestricted funds at a level which equates to approximately four months of charitable expenditure (currently £177,000). The trustees consider that this level will provide sufficient funds to respond to applications for grants and ensure that support and governance costs are covered. Currently free reserves stand at just over 3.5 months running costs. Having regard to the 24/25 budget and supplemented by the general funds the trustees consider that the charity is a going concern.

Grants in excess of £360,000 have been confirmed for 2024/25.

**BARLOW MOOR COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION LIMITED****Risk management**

The trustees have conducted a review of the major risks to which the charity is exposed and systems have been established to mitigate those risks. Where appropriate, systems or procedures have been established to mitigate the risks the charity faces. Procedures are in place to ensure compliance with health and safety of staff, volunteers, young people, other service users and visitors.

**Trustees responsibilities in relation to the financial statements**

The charity trustees (who are also the directors of Barlow Moor Community Association Limited for the purposes of company law) are responsible for preparing a trustees' annual report and financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

Company law requires the charity trustees to prepare financial statements for each year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure, of the charitable company for that period. In preparing the financial statements, the trustees are required to:

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

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

By order of the board of trustees



Chair Ms Joanna Midgley

Date: 17<sup>th</sup> July 2024

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF BARLOW  
MOOR COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION LIMITED**

I report on the accounts of the company for the Year Ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2024, which are set out on pages 7 to 20.

**Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner**

The trustees (who are also the directors of the company for the purposes of company law) are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed. The charity is required by company law to prepare accrued accounts and I am qualified to undertake the examination by being a qualified member of The Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales.

Having satisfied myself that the charity is not subject to audit under company law and is eligible for independent examination, it is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act ;
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(b) of the 2011 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 the general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair view' and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

**Independent examiner's statement**

In connection with my examination, except as shown below, 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 386 of the Companies Act 2006; and
- to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records, comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the Companies Act 2006, ; and
- with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities

have not been met; or

(2) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



EL Anderson MA FCA CTA  
Community Accountancy Service Ltd  
The Grange, Pilgrim Drive  
Beswick, Manchester, M11 3TQ

Date: 17<sup>th</sup> July 2024

**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024**  
(including income and expenditure account)

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds 2024 £	Restricted Funds 2024 £	Year Ended 31 March 2024 £	Year Ended 31 March 2023 £
<b>INCOME FROM</b>					
Donations & Legacies	2	2,084	500	2,584	2,117
Donation In Kind		-	24,000	24,000	3,800
Charitable activities	3	88,863	471,664	560,527	491,490
Other Trading Activities	4	27,878	49	27,927	21,789
Investment Income		5,075	-	5,075	1,979
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>		<u>123,900</u>	<u>496,213</u>	<u>620,113</u>	<u>521,175</u>
<b>RESOURCES EXPENDED</b>					
Costs of Raising Funds	6	11,506	-	11,506	11,045
Grants Made	6	-	6,370	6,370	6,715
Charitable Activities	6	57,236	455,642	512,878	488,882
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURE</b>		<u>68,742</u>	<u>462,012</u>	<u>530,754</u>	<u>506,642</u>
<b>NET INCOME (EXPENDITURE) &amp; NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS FOR THE YEAR</b>		55,158	34,201	89,359	14,533
Gross Transfer between funds	16	(11)	11	-	-
<b>RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS</b>					
TOTAL FUNDS BROUGHT FORWARD	16	112,856	107,326	220,182	205,649
<b>TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD</b>	16	<u>168,003</u>	<u>141,538</u>	<u>309,541</u>	<u>220,182</u>

The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses in the year. All incoming resources and resources expended derive from continuing activities.

The notes on pages 10 to 20 form part of these accounts.

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 MARCH 2024

	Notes	2024 £	2023 £
<b>FIXED ASSETS</b>			
Tangible Fixed Assets	10	96,135	79,017
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>			
Debtors	11	19,360	15,187
Cash at Bank and in Hand		<u>258,172</u>	<u>218,959</u>
		277,532	234,146
<b>LIABILITIES:</b>			
Amounts falling due within one year	12	<u>(64,126)</u>	<u>(92,981)</u>
<b>NET CURRENT ASSETS</b>		213,406	141,165
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>		<u>309,541</u>	<u>220,182</u>
<b>THE FUNDS OF THE CHARITY</b>			
Restricted Income Funds	16	141,538	107,326
Unrestricted Income Funds	16	<u>168,003</u>	<u>112,856</u>
<b>TOTAL CHARITY FUNDS</b>		<u>309,541</u>	<u>220,182</u>

For the year in question the company was entitled to the exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

- The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its accounts for the year in question in accordance with section 476.
- The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts.

These accounts have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies' regime.

Approved on behalf of the Company's Board of Trustees:

Trustee Joanna R. Midgley Ms Joanna Midgley

Trustee Michelle Hodges Mrs Michelle Hodges

Date: 17th July 2024

The notes on pages 10 to 20 form part of these accounts.

## STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31ST MARCH 2024

	2024	2023
	£	£
<b>RECONCILIATION OF NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS TO NET CASH FLOW FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES</b>		
Net movement in funds	89,359	14,533
Add back depreciation	11,684	9,227
Deduct investment income	(5,075)	(1,979)
Decrease/(increase) in debtors	(4,173)	3,135
Increase/(decrease) in creditors	(28,855)	11,487
<b>Net cash used in operating activities</b>	<u>62,940</u>	<u>36,403</u>
<b>Cash flows from investment activities:</b>		
Interest	5,075	1,979
Purchase of fixed assets	(28,802)	(13,144)
<b>Net cash provided by investing activities</b>	<u>(23,727)</u>	<u>(11,165)</u>
Increase/(decrease) in cash and cash equivalents during the year	39,213	25,238
Cash and cash equivalents brought forward	218,959	193,721
<b>Cash and cash equivalents carried forward</b>	<u>258,172</u>	<u>218,959</u>

## NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

**1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES****(a) Basis of preparation and assessment of going concern**

The accounts (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 financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) effective 1st January 2019, the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102), the Charities Act 2011 and The Companies Act 2006.. The charity constitutes a public benefit entity as defined by FRS 102.

The trustees consider that there are no material uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue as a going concern.

**(b) Funds structure**

Restricted funds are funds which are to be used in accordance with specific restrictions imposed by the donor or trust deed. There are 36 restricted funds at the year end.

Unrestricted income funds comprise those funds which the trustees are free to use for any purpose in furtherance of the charitable objects. Unrestricted funds include designated funds where the trustees, at their discretion have created a fund for a specific purpose.

Further details of each fund are disclosed in note 16.

**(c) Income recognition**

All income is recognised once the charity has entitlement to the income, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount of income receivable can be measured reliably.

Donations are recognised when the charity has been notified in writing of both the amount and settlement date. In the event that a donation is subject to conditions that require a level of performance before the charity is entitled to the funds, the income is deferred and not recognised until either those conditions are fully met, or the fulfilment of those conditions is wholly within the control of the charity and it is probable that those conditions will be fulfilled in the reporting period.

Interest on funds held on deposit is included when receivable and the amount can be measured reliably by the charity; this is normally upon notification of the interest paid or payable by the bank. Dividends are recognised once the dividend has been declared and notification has been received of the dividend due.

**(d) Expenditure Recognition**

Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, it is probable that settlement will be required and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably.

All expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis. All expenses including support costs and governance costs are allocated or apportioned to the applicable expenditure headings. For more information on this attribution refer to note (g) below.

**(e) Irrecoverable VAT**

Irrecoverable VAT is charged against the expenditure heading for which it was incurred.

**(f) Allocation of support and governance costs**

Support costs have been allocated between governance costs and other support costs. Governance costs comprise all costs involving the public accountability of the charity and its compliance with regulation and good practice. These costs include costs related to independent examination and legal fees together with an apportionment of overhead and support costs.

Governance costs and support costs relating to charitable activities have been apportioned based on staff time and facilities used in each activity.

The allocation of support and governance costs is analysed in note 7.

**(g) Charitable Activities**

Costs of charitable activities include governance costs and an apportionment of support costs as shown in Note 6.

**(h) Tangible fixed assets and depreciation**

Fixed assets are included in the accounts at net book value. Additions of a single item or a group of similar assets exceeding £500, are capitalised at cost (valuation for donated assets).

Depreciation is provided to write off the cost less the estimated residual value of tangible fixed assets over their estimated useful lives as follows:-

Computer Equipment	33.33% on cost
Furniture & Equipment	25% on cost
Leasehold improvements	over 22 years from January 2014

**(i) Debtors**

Trade and other debtors are recognised at settlement amount due after any trade discount offered. Prepayments are valued at the amount prepaid net of any trade discounts due.

**(j) Creditors and Provisions**

Creditors and provisions are recognised where the charity has a present obligation resulting from a past event that will probably result in the transfer of funds to a third party and the amount due to settle the obligation can be measured or estimated reliably. Creditors and provisions are normally recognised at their settlement amount after allowing for any trade discounts due.

**(k) Taxation**

The organisation is exempt from income tax by reason of its charitable status. Income tax suffered on investment income is reclaimed in full. The Charity is not registered for VAT.

**(l) Pensions**

The charity operates an auto enrolment defined contribution pension scheme for its employees. The charity has no liability beyond making its contributions and paying across the deductions for the employee contributions.

**(m) Contingent liabilities**

A contingent liability is identified and disclosed for those transactions resulting from a possible obligation which will only be confirmed by the occurrence of one or more uncertain future events not wholly within the trustees' control.

**(n) Commitments Under Operating Leases**

Rentals are charged to income and expenditure as they fall due.

2 INCOME FROM DONATIONS AND LEGACIES	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total 2024
	Funds	Funds	
	£	£	£
Donations	2,084	500	2,584
	<u>2,084</u>	<u>500</u>	<u>2,584</u>
Previous Year	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total 2023
	Funds	Funds	
	£	£	£
Donations	1,117	1,000	2,117
	<u>1,117</u>	<u>1,000</u>	<u>2,117</u>

## NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

## 3 INCOME FROM CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2024
	£	£	£
Grants:			
Our Manchester VCS	-	86,719	86,719
MCC NIF - Various	-	3,829	3,829
HAF	-	16,873	16,873
Garfield Weston Foundation	25,000	-	25,000
MCC - Hate Crime	-	1,500	1,500
MCC - Young People	-	65,288	65,288
The Henry Smith Charity	-	31,133	31,133
Trusthouse	-	21,696	21,696
Good Things Foundation	10,600	-	10,600
MCC Work & Skills	-	10,000	10,000
Southway - Learning Hub	-	19,992	19,992
Southway - Beautiful South	-	1,500	1,500
Southway - Breakfast Support	-	1,750	1,750
Merseyfest - Various	-	5,716	5,716
Diabetes Project	-	7,000	7,000
Big Life	2,500	-	2,500
Big Lottery Reaching Communities	-	71,212	71,212
Big Lottery - Cost of Living	-	62,567	62,567
Big Lottery - Million Hours	-	9,487	9,487
Nursery Free Entitlement & EYPP	33,710	-	33,710
Nursery - Welfare Grant	-	105	105
Nursery SEN	-	2,151	2,151
Youth Investment Fund	-	18,288	18,288
TFGM Bike Project	-	11,656	11,656
Sport England	-	10,399	10,399
Other Social Contracts	9,000	-	9,000
Other Small Grants	7,210	6,096	13,306
<i>Total Grants</i>	<u>88,020</u>	<u>464,957</u>	<u>552,977</u>
Group Contributions etc	116	4,183	4,299
Other Income	727	2,524	3,251
	<u>88,863</u>	<u>471,664</u>	<u>560,527</u>

## NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

## 3. Cont....

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2023
	£	£	£
Previous Year			
Grants:			
Our Manchester VCS	-	58,051	58,051
MCC NIF - Various	-	20,978	20,978
High Sheriff	-	500	500
HAF	-	22,508	22,508
Garfield Weston Foundation	27,500	-	27,500
Veolia	-	1,173	1,173
We Love Manchester	-	400	400
MCC - Hate Crime	-	500	500
MCC - Household Support & Food	-	6,505	6,505
MCC - Young People	-	65,288	65,288
The Henry Smith Charity	-	18,025	18,025
Trusthouse	-	21,065	21,065
Awards for All	-	9,776	9,776
Good Things Foundation	2,000	-	2,000
Co-operative	-	1,971	1,971
MCC Work Club	-	9,531	9,531
Southway - Learning Hub	-	19,992	19,992
Southway - Beautiful South	-	5,670	5,670
Southway - Breakfast Packs	-	2,000	2,000
Manchester Airport	-	1,400	1,400
Arnold Clarke	-	2,000	2,000
Duchy of Lancaster	-	1,900	1,900
Hits Radio	-	3,800	3,800
Forever Manchester	-	100	100
Zochonis Trust	3,000	-	3,000
Big Life	7,500	-	7,500
Big Lottery Reaching Communities	-	65,965	65,965
MCC Wellbeing Fund	-	2,750	2,750
Manchester Relief in Need	-	2,250	2,250
OPeNS	-	22,294	22,294
Free Entitlement	32,060	-	32,060
MCC YP - Playscheme	-	2,450	2,450
Young Manchester	-	17,568	17,568
Young Manchester - Other	-	2,000	2,000
Sport England	-	5,033	5,033
Other Small Grants	-	16,573	16,573
Total Grants	72,060	410,016	482,076
Group Contributions etc	122	5,632	5,754
Other Income	1,660	2,000	3,660
	1,782	7,632	9,414
	73,842	417,648	491,490

## 4 INCOME FROM OTHER TRADING ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted Funds 2024	Restricted Funds 2024	2024	Unrestricted Funds 2023	Restricted Funds 2023	2023
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Room Hire	12,020	-	12,020	11,450	-	11,450
Project Management	9,045	-	9,045	-	-	-
Fundraising	2,097	49	2,146	2,040	-	2,040
Shop Income	4,716	-	4,716	4,912	-	4,912
Café Income	-	-	-	3,387	-	3,387
	27,878	49	27,927	21,789	-	21,789

## 5 NET INCOMING RESOURCES FOR THE YEAR

	2024	2023
	£	£
The net incoming (outgoing) resources are stated after charging:		
Depreciation (owned assets)	11,684	9,227
Independent Examination	1,200	1,100
Other Financial Services	6,026	5,461
Trustees (Directors) Remuneration (see note 14)	-	-

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

6 EXPENDITURE

	Basis of allocation	Activity		Total 2024
		Centre	Zones	
		£	£	£
<b>Expenditure on Generating Funds</b>				
Employment Costs	Staff Time	9,171	-	9,171
Premises Costs		1,809	-	1,809
Shop Costs		526	-	526
		<u>11,506</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>11,506</u>
<b>Grants Made</b>				
Household, Welfare & Food Support		-	6,370	6,370
<b>Expenditure on Charitable Activities</b>				
		£	£	£
Employment Costs	Staff Time	187,401	107,597	294,998
Other Staff Expenses	Activity	141	18	159
DBS Checks	Activity	270	-	270
Premises Costs	Activity	18,945	11,813	30,758
Volunteer Expenses	Activity	94	-	94
Staff Travel	Activity	147	-	147
Staff Training	Activity	90	-	90
Centre Activities	Activity	11,776	33,840	45,616
Partner Payments	Activity	-	7,179	7,179
Beneficiary Training	Activity	4,800	-	4,800
Subscriptions	Activity	398	142	540
Publicity & Website	Activity	2,716	-	2,716
Support Costs		105,705	4,300	110,005
Governance Costs		15,506	-	15,506
		<u>347,989</u>	<u>164,889</u>	<u>512,878</u>
				£
Restricted Funds				462,012
Unrestricted Funds				68,742
				<u>530,754</u>

<i>Previous Year:</i>	Basis of allocation	Activity		Total 2023
		Centre	Zones	
		£	£	£
<b>Expenditure on Generating Funds</b>				
Employment Costs	Staff Time	8,632	-	8,632
Premises Costs		1,042	-	1,042
Shop Costs		1,242	-	1,242
Café Costs		36	-	36
Other		93	-	93
		<u>11,045</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>11,045</u>
<b>Grants Made</b>				
Household & Food Support		-	6,715	6,715
<b>Expenditure on Charitable Activities</b>				
		£	£	£
Employment Costs	Staff Time	129,515	155,412	284,927
Other Staff Expenses	Activity	248	-	248
DBS Checks	Activity	106	94	200
Uniforms	Activity	742	-	742
Premises Costs	Activity	16,406	1,301	17,707
Volunteer Expenses	Activity	34	-	34
Staff Travel	Activity	104	-	104
Staff Training	Activity	305	1,116	1,421
Centre Activities	Activity	22,883	31,481	54,364
Partner Payments	Activity	-	22,059	22,059
Beneficiary Training	Activity	2,707	-	2,707
Subscriptions	Activity	368	-	368
Publicity & Website	Activity	5,933	-	5,933
Support Costs		61,829	20,478	82,307
Governance Costs		15,761	-	15,761
		<u>256,941</u>	<u>231,941</u>	<u>488,882</u>
				£
Restricted Funds				404,245
Unrestricted Funds				102,397
				<u>506,642</u>

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

7 ALLOCATION OF GOVERNANCE AND SUPPORT COSTS

		General Support	Governance	Total 2024	Total 2023
		£	£	£	£
Employment Costs	Staff Time	25,722		25,722	21,896
Premises Costs	Activity	3,619		3,619	2,083
Donation in Kind - premises	Activity	24,000		24,000	3,800
Insurance	Activity	3,562		3,562	3,288
Cleaning	Activity	21,161		21,161	21,220
Equipment Leasing	Activity	1,189		1,189	1,765
Repairs & Renewals	Activity	4,457		4,457	4,760
Computer Maintenance	Activity	3,785		3,785	3,577
Minor Equipment & Software	Activity	795		795	292
Telephone & Internet	Activity	4,252		4,252	5,742
Post, Printing & Stationery	Activity	2,715		2,715	2,503
Sundries	Activity	303		303	82
Payroll Services	Activity	2,666		2,666	2,041
Depreciation	Activity	11,684		11,684	9,227
Interest Paid	Activity	95		95	31
Trustee Meetings & Expenses	Governance		416	416	-
Accountancy	Governance		4,560	4,560	4,520
Consultancy	Governance		3,432	3,432	6,686
Legal Fees	Governance		1,954	1,954	-
Professional Fees - HR	Governance		5,144	5,144	4,555
		110,006	15,506	125,511	98,068

8 STAFF NUMBERS AND COSTS

	2024	2023
	£	£
Staff costs were as follows:		
Salaries and wages	309,334	295,442
Social security costs	14,891	15,058
Pensions	5,666	4,955
	329,891	315,455

The charity employed 27 people during the year. The average number of employees during the year, was 23 and calculated on the basis of full time equivalents was as follows:

	Number	Number
Management & Administration	2	2
Services	9	9
	11	11

Along with the trustees the key management personnel are the joint CEO's and Operations manager. The total employment benefits, including employer pension contributions of the key management personnel were £119,893 (2023 £112,849). No employee has benefits in excess of £60,000.

9 AMOUNTS DUE UNDER OPERATING LEASE ARRANGEMENTS

	2024	2023
	£	£
Due within one year	-	2,400
	-	2,400

A lease of £3,800 per annum for use of the premises exists but to date the lessor has donated use in kind. The use in kind has been valued at £24,000 per annum.

## NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

10 TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS	Leasehold Improvements	Furniture & Equipment	Computer Equipment	Total
<b>COST</b>	£	£	£	£
At 1 April 2023	120,677	31,931	10,335	162,943
Additions	24,484	2,352	1,966	28,802
Disposals	-	-	-	-
At 31 March 2024	<u>145,161</u>	<u>34,283</u>	<u>12,301</u>	<u>191,745</u>
<b>DEPRECIATION</b>				
At 1 April 2023	50,870	24,412	8,644	83,926
Charge for Period	7,642	2,541	1,501	11,684
Disposals	-	-	-	-
At 31 March 2024	<u>58,512</u>	<u>26,953</u>	<u>10,145</u>	<u>95,610</u>
<b>NET BOOK VALUE</b>				
At 31 March 2024	<u>86,649</u>	<u>7,330</u>	<u>2,156</u>	<u>96,135</u>
At 31 March 2023	<u>69,807</u>	<u>7,519</u>	<u>1,691</u>	<u>79,017</u>

11 DEBTORS	2024 £	2023 £
Other Debtors	17,079	12,040
Accrued Income	-	500
Prepayments	2,281	2,647
	<u>19,360</u>	<u>15,187</u>

In 2024 £4,257 relates to restricted funds (2023 £12,420).

12 LIABILITIES: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR	2024 £	2023 £
Other Creditors	13,802	7,908
Other Taxes and Social Security Costs	3,810	10,985
Deferred Income	16,393	47,978
Accruals	30,121	26,110
	<u>64,126</u>	<u>92,981</u>

In 2024 £35,339 is restricted funds (2023 £60,504).

13 DEFERRED INCOME	2024 £	2023 £
Deferred income comprises grants paid in advance (restricted income).		
Balance as at 1st April	47,978	49,730
Amount released to income earned from charitable activities	(47,978)	(49,730)
Amount deferred in the year	16,393	47,978
Balance as at 31st March	<u>16,393</u>	<u>47,978</u>

## 14 TRUSTEE REMUNERATION AND EXPENSES

Except as disclosed below no remuneration has been paid or is due to be paid to any of the trustees in respect of the period. No reimbursement of expenses has been made or is due to be made to any of the trustees in respect of the period.

Payment of £600 was made to Clover Hudson for running yoga classes. Under Article 4 of the current rules trustees cannot sell services to the charity. The charity are making amendments to these Articles of Association to be voted on at the next AGM, which will allow payments in a limited number of circumstances for services that do not relate to the acting as a trustee.

15 CONTINGENT LIABILITIES	2024 £	2023 £
At 31 March	<u>nil</u>	<u>nil</u>

## NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

16 ANALYSIS OF CHARITABLE FUNDS	At 1st April 2023	Incoming Resources	Expenditure	Transfers	At 31st March 2024
<i>Analysis of Movement in Restricted Funds</i>	£	£	£	£	£
<b>Centre</b>					
Our Manchester VCS	-	86,719	(86,719)		-
Henry Smith Charily	-	31,133	(29,989)		1,144
Big Lottery	1,710	71,212	(72,929)	7	-
Big Lottery - Cost of Living	-	62,567	(62,571)	4	-
Big Lottery - Million Hours	-	9,487	(6,566)		2,921
Trusthouse	-	21,696	(20,309)		1,387
Forever Manchester	-	100	(100)		-
Merseyfest	2,152	6,716	(7,494)		1,374
Donation in Kind - premises costs	-	24,000	(24,000)		-
NIF - Others	3,729	500	(1,883)		2,346
Beautiful South	154	1,500	(1,654)		-
High Sheriff	-	-	-		-
<b>Learning Hub</b>					
Southways - Learning Hub	-	19,992	(19,992)		-
MCC - Work & Skills	1,500	10,000	(10,952)		548
Other	-	150	(150)		-
<b>Young People &amp; Playschemes</b>					
HAF	-	16,873	(16,873)		-
MCC YPP	-	65,288	(57,853)		7,435
TFGM -Bike Project	-	11,656	(477)	(5,719)	5,460
Sport England	1,032	10,399	(4,526)		6,905
MCC - Hate Crime	-	1,500	(1,462)		38
CYP Core	4,535	1,220	(1,657)		4,098
<b>Older People &amp; Wellbeing</b>					
Aris	2,000	-	-		2,000
MCC Mcr Wellbeing Fund	1,276	-	(43)		1,233
Cost of Living Grants & Donations	5,661	3,721	(5,882)		3,500
Duchy of Lancaster	1,900	-	(1,337)		563
Illuminate	1,280	-	(576)		704
MCC- Hate Crime	47	-	(47)		-
White House	-	2,500	(860)		1,640
Southway - Uniforms	1,900	-	(145)		1,755
Southway - Music for Mindfulness	1,227	-	(452)		775
NIF	-	3,829	(1,251)		2,578
Manchester Airport	593	-	(593)		-
Manchester Relief in Need	2,250	-	(2,250)		-
Over 60's Contributions	1,717	35	-		1,752
Donations	2,401	18	-		2,419
Southway Housing	195	-	(124)		71
Diabetes Project	-	7,000	(3,670)		3,330
South Neighbourhood Team - NIF - "The Den"	738	-	(173)		565
Small Grants	60	1,675	(1,735)		-
<b>Nursery</b>					
SEN	-	2,151	(1,915)	(236)	-
Nursery Fees & Contributions	-	2,523	(2,523)		-
Out of School Club	-	1,660	(1,660)		-
Welfare	-	105	(105)		-
	<b>38,057</b>	<b>477,925</b>	<b>(453,497)</b>	<b>(5,944)</b>	<b>56,541</b>

## NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

16 cont ...

	At 1st April 2023 £	Incoming Resources £	Expenditure £	Transfers £	At 31st March 2024 £
<b>Restricted Funds from previous page</b>	38,057	477,925	(453,497)	(5,944)	56,541
<b>Capital Funds</b>					
Veolia	31,642	-	(2,718)		28,924
Wates	10,910	-	(909)		10,001
MCC- S Mcr Regeneration	6,550	-	(545)		6,005
Early Years - Playground	13,393	-	(1,123)		12,270
Southway Donation in Kind	2,833	-	(463)		2,370
Opens	243	-	(122)		121
NIF - The Den	174	-	(174)		-
NIF - TV	2,374	-	(596)		1,778
Young Manchester	1,150	-	(288)		862
SEN				236	236
TFGM - Bike Project	-	-	-	5,719	5,719
Youth Investment Fund - Music Room	-	18,288	(1,577)		16,711
Total Capital Funds	69,269	18,288	(8,515)	5,955	84,997
Total Restricted Funds	107,326	496,213	(462,012)	11	141,538
<b>Analysis of Movement in Unrestricted Funds:</b>					
Designated Capital	3,133		(783)	1,322	3,672
Designated Funds					
Good Things Foundation - Learning Hub	4,741	10,600	(2,338)	-	13,003
Big Life - Learning Hub	1,446	2,500	-	-	3,946
	9,320	13,100	(3,121)	1,322	20,621
General Funds	103,536	110,800	(65,621)	(1,333)	147,382
Total Unrestricted Funds	112,856	123,900	(68,742)	(11)	168,003
Total Funds	220,182	620,113	(530,754)	-	309,541

**Third Party Grants**

BMCA received third party grants of 3,516 during the year. As BMCA were merely acting as a conduit for these funds and not accountable for them, the figures have not been reflected in income or expenditure.

Other grants administered for third parties are shown on the previous page.

At 31st March 2024 BMCA held £6,547 on behalf of other groups..

## NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

## 16 (cont...) Previous Year

ANALYSIS OF CHARITABLE FUNDS	At 1st April 2022	Incoming Resources	Expenditure	Transfers	At 31st March 2023
<i>Analysis of Movement in Restricted Funds</i>	£	£	£	£	£
<b>Centre</b>					
Our Manchester VCS	-	58,051	(58,051)	-	-
Henry Smith Charity	-	18,025	(18,025)	-	-
Big Lottery	-	65,965	(64,255)	-	1,710
Trusthouse	-	21,065	(21,065)	-	-
We Love Mcr	-	400	(400)	-	-
Merseyfest	308	4,170	(2,326)	-	2,152
Donation in Kind - premises costs	-	3,800	(3,800)	-	-
NIF - Christmas	596	2,100	(2,696)	-	-
NIF - Others	-	7,231	(3,502)	-	3,729
NIF - Community Garden	-	1,000	(1,000)	-	-
Beautiful South	281	2,500	(2,627)	-	154
High Sheriff	-	500	(500)	-	-
Awards for All	-	9,776	(9,776)	-	-
Small Grants	-	100	(100)	-	-
Learning Hub	-	-	-	-	-
Southways - Learning Hub	-	19,992	(19,992)	-	-
MCC - Work Club	-	9,531	(8,031)	-	1,500
Other	-	2,000	(2,000)	-	-
<b>Young People &amp; Playschemes</b>					
Social Action	54	-	(54)	-	-
HAF	-	22,508	(22,508)	-	-
Thrive	197	-	(197)	-	-
MCC YPP	-	65,288	(65,288)	-	-
Young Manchester	-	17,568	(17,568)	-	-
BSA Science Grant	104	-	(104)	-	-
Sport England	3,444	5,033	(7,445)	-	1,032
Southway - Summer Activities	678	-	(678)	-	-
The Cooperative - Youth Activities	3	-	(3)	-	-
MCC - Hate Crime	35	500	(535)	-	-
CYP	1,977	9,564	(7,006)	-	4,535
Playscheme Grants	-	2,360	(2,360)	-	-
Playscheme Donations & Other Income	-	90	(90)	-	-
<b>Older People &amp; Wellbeing</b>					
Aris	-	2,000	-	-	2,000
MCC Mcr Wellbeing Fund	511	2,750	(1,985)	-	1,276
Cost of Living Grants & Donations	-	10,031	(4,370)	-	5,661
NHS Manchester CCG	997	-	(997)	-	-
Hits Radio	-	3,800	(3,800)	-	-
Duchy of Lancaster	-	1,900	-	-	1,900
Illuminate	-	3,980	(2,700)	-	1,280
MCC- Hate Crime	47	-	-	-	47
Southway - Winter Warmer	367	-	(367)	-	-
Southway - Uniforms	2	2,500	(602)	-	1,900
Southway - Music for Mindfulness	1,540	-	(313)	-	1,227
MCC - Time 4U	322	-	(322)	-	-
Manchester Airport	-	1,400	(807)	-	593
Manchester Relief in Need	-	2,250	-	-	2,250
Over 60's Contributions	1,985	878	(1,146)	-	1,717
Donations	2,401	-	-	-	2,401
Southway Housing	-	2,000	(1,805)	-	195
Opens	613	22,294	(22,917)	10	-
South Neighbourhood Team - NIF - "The Den"	738	-	-	-	738
Small Grants	1,070	5,260	(6,260)	(10)	60
<b>Nursery</b>					
Hate Crime	88	-	(88)	-	-
Nursery Fees & Contributions	-	2,064	(2,064)	-	-
Out of School Club	-	2,690	(2,690)	-	-
Welfare	-	1,245	(1,385)	140	-
	18,358	416,159	(396,600)	140	38,057

## NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

16 cont ...	At 1st April 2022 £	Incoming Resources £	Expenditure £	Transfers £	At 31st March 2023 £
<b>Restricted Funds from previous page</b>	18,358	416,159	(398,600)	140	38,057
<b>Capital Funds</b>					
Veolia	33,187	1,173	(2,718)		31,642
Wates	11,819	-	(909)		10,910
MCC- S Mcr Regeneration	7,095	-	(545)		6,550
Early Years - Playground	14,516	-	(1,123)		13,393
Southway Donation in Kind	3,296	-	(463)		2,833
Opens	365	-	(122)		243
NIF - The Den	347	-	(173)		174
NIF - TV	-	3,116	(742)		2,374
Young Manchester	-	2,000	(850)		1,150
<b>Total Capital Funds</b>	<b>70,625</b>	<b>6,289</b>	<b>(7,645)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>69,269</b>
<b>Total Restricted Funds</b>	<b>88,983</b>	<b>422,448</b>	<b>(404,245)</b>	<b>140</b>	<b>107,326</b>
<b>Analysis of Movement in Unrestricted Funds:</b>					
Designated Capital	4,475		(1,335)	(7)	3,133
Designated Funds					
Good Things Foundation - Learning Hub	3,587	2,000	(846)	-	4,741
Big Life - Learning Hub	1,446	7,500	(7,500)	-	1,446
	9,508	9,500	(9,681)	(7)	9,320
General Funds	107,158	89,227	(92,716)	(133)	103,536
<b>Total Unrestricted Funds</b>	<b>116,666</b>	<b>98,727</b>	<b>(102,397)</b>	<b>(140)</b>	<b>112,856</b>
<b>Total Funds</b>	<b>205,649</b>	<b>521,175</b>	<b>(506,642)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>220,182</b>

## 17 ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS BETWEEN FUNDS

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2024 £
Tangible Fixed Assets	3,133	93,002	96,135
Net Current Assets	164,870	48,536	213,406
	<b>168,003</b>	<b>141,538</b>	<b>309,541</b>
	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2023 £
Previous Year			
Tangible Fixed Assets	3,133	75,884	79,017
Net Current Assets	109,723	31,442	141,165
	<b>112,856</b>	<b>107,326</b>	<b>220,182</b>

## 18 FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

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

## 19 GOING CONCERN

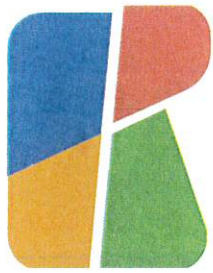
The company's main source of income is grant funding and rental income. The trustees consider that it is appropriate to prepare the accounts on a going concern basis and, consequently, the accounts do not include any adjustments that would be necessary if the funding income should cease. With regard to the securing of income for 2024/25 and the continuing support of funders trustees are confident that the Centre remains a going concern.

## 20 POST BALANCE SHEET EVENTS

The trustees consider that there are no significant post balance sheet events that impact on the financial statements as presented.

## 21 CONTROL OF THE COMPANY

Control of the company lies with the volunteer trustees named on Page 1.



**Barlow Moor** BMCA LTD.  
COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

# IMPACT REPORT 2023-2024



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# BMCA CHAIR'S REPORT

Another year has flown by and it is an honor again to introduce the Barlow Moor Community Association Impact Report for 2023/2024.

It's always so uplifting to read the yearly impact report and hear about the amazing things BMCA has done and the case studies and feedback which show the real difference our services and support have made to people's lives each day.

The cost-of-living crisis has not gone away - it has had such a detrimental impact on our service users, and on the Voluntary and Community Sector due to rising need and increased costs. Supporting people through it has remained high on our agenda. The benefit and advice services, food support and well-being activities based here at BMCA are a lifeline for many and the learning and training opportunities have a huge impact in supporting people back into work.

The local Cost of Living Partnership instigated by BMCA has grown from strength to strength and made many connections across the city. It continues to bring together schools, foodbanks, housing and health services, councillors and council officers to work together and plan ways of meeting the challenges facing residents.

Merseyfest 2023 was brilliant! Thanks to our staff and volunteers, each year brings new ideas and fun for hundreds of local people of all ages on the playing fields.

As always there were lovely get-togethers, playing out days, music sessions, exciting trips and our brilliant Christmas festivities were popular as always.

BMCA plays a vital role for children and young people in the community providing many opportunities for them to have new experiences, make friends, develop confidence and have a safe place to spend time in. Our play schemes and youth and play sessions and nursery provision continue to be popular and well attended.



All of these activities and events at the centre would not be possible without our fantastic volunteers who help to staff them. We genuinely appreciate their time and input. A small group of volunteers were able to attend a thank you afternoon tea with the Lord Mayor of Manchester arranged by local councillors.

Barlow Moor Community Association continues to gain respect for its work around the city and we always welcome the chance to work collaboratively with other organisations to improve the quality of life, aspirations, life chances and enjoyment of our local resident - they are at the forefront of everything we do.

As soon as you step foot into Barlow Moor Community Centre you know it is a special place so a big thank you to the brilliant, talented and dedicated staff team who make it that way. Grateful thanks too to our funders and partners without whom we would not be able to do the things we do. And to all our service users who make BMCA the fantastic community-focused, vibrant and welcoming place that it is.

**Councillor  
Joanna Midgley  
Chair of BMCA**

# UNIVERSAL SERVICES

## NURSERY

**Providing support for our children and families is at the heart of everything we do at BMCA. Our aim is to provide our children, with the tools to succeed in the future.**

We know, that this can only be done if the family as a whole is supported too. Within nursery, our priority is to create a safe, nurturing environment that all of our children can develop in personally, socially and physically. We provide this through tailor made activities that are individual to the children and focused on encouraging the children to make independent choices. These choices included healthy snacks and drinks, what stories they would like to read, what activities they would like to play with and what works of art they would like to create.

At the end of the academic year, our children that were due to leave for School are confident in social situations, making their own choices and independent in self-care.



## YOUTH & PLAY

**Our projects are always geared towards achieving our outcomes of young people being happy, safe, successful and healthy and our sessions have been instrumental in advancing the holistic well-being of children and young people.**

These initiatives serve as catalysts for community cohesion, enabling young individuals to continue to forge meaningful relationships both within their peer group and the broader community. Through collaborative efforts and participation in planning, especially in areas such as events, trips and the cinema nights, the youth not only contribute to the development of these events but also experience a sense of empowerment and recognition. This engagement fosters a more tightly knit and supportive community that acknowledges and values their role, ultimately instilling feelings of inclusion, self-worth, and a sense of belonging among the young people.



## HEALTH & WELLBEING

**Provision runs 5 days per week providing yoga, chair-based exercise and our volunteer led Tai Chi sessions which have been really successful, with service users commenting on how much they are enjoying the classes and how good they feel afterwards.**

To celebrate national growing week, our Walk and Talk service users planted some seeds in the community garden of Chorlton Water Park. It has been really rewarding seeing that their work is making the garden a nicer space for the community. Having spaces like this increases community pride and improves people's perception of where they live. Gardening is an activity that really boosts mental health through connection with nature, fresh air and bringing people together; the group always really enjoy this element of their walks.

# UNIVERSAL SERVICES (CONTINUED)

## ENGLISH CONVERSATION CAFE

English Conversation Cafe has worked closely with Manchester ESOL Advice Service to promote our ECC session.

This has meant that at some sessions we have supported over 20 services users from different countries and cultures who all have diverse levels of English.

## MUSIC FOR MINDFULNESS

This session has evolved into a co-learning space where members teach each other different instruments.

With support from Royal Northern College of Music volunteers, service users have taken charge, fostering a natural environment of peer support. This strengthens the community, motivates individuals to make necessary changes, and ensures their voices are heard. The proactive feedback from attendees allows us to use our funding effectively, enhancing the impact on confidence and resilience and empowering more users to create lasting change in their lives.



## COMMUNITY-WIDE EVENTS

Our events build a sense of unity within the local community helping build stronger relationships and improve intergenerational relationships.

Community wide events this year have included Step into Spring, MerseyFest, SpookyFest, Santa's First Stop, Upcycle playing out day and National walk to school week.



“ The music corner at Merseyfest this year put Glastonbury into the shade! An amazing musical day full of diversity of backgrounds, cultures and ages, from 17 to 92, from Chorlton to Brazil. A musical thrill and a global harmony! ”



## EDUCATION, EMPLOYMENT & TRAINING

Our job club has continued to enjoy positive outcomes with service users gaining employment in their chosen fields. We continued to offer 1-1 support and bespoke individual plans utilising the centres full resources to build self-belief and confidence, develop spoken English and gain relevant skills.

Completing 3 quality audits, including annual Matrix accreditation, we have continued to ensure the quality of our provision in the learning hub. The external (NCFE/CACHE) quality audit for sector specific qualifications is a new process that the awarding organisation has introduced and covers the quality of the centre including the processes, policies and procedures, which are in place in line with their requirements.

# SOCIAL ACTION

**Our social action group, launched in April, focuses on improving the wellbeing of local residents by tackling environmental issues like litter, dog fouling, and fly-tipping.**

We've organised litter picks with Keep Manchester Tidy and are in talks with Chorlton Wombles for future collaboration. To address these issues at their root, we invited BIFFA and Keep Manchester Tidy to MerseyFest, boosting community morale and engagement.

Our efforts have increased community pride, empowerment, and self-worth. Volunteers, involved in various aspects like our charity shop and services, have gained confidence, resilience, and ownership over their environment, driving lasting change in their lives and the community.



## DEFIB

**The community centre is proud to announce the addition of a defibrillator to the outside of our building, located next to the bleed cabinet.**

This life-saving equipment will be accessible to everyone in the event of a medical emergency, significantly improving safety in our area. To ensure residents feel confident in using it, we will be offering training sessions for local people, equipping the community with both the tools and the knowledge to respond quickly.



## LIBRARY

**Very positive feedback for our library volunteers when a customer satisfaction survey has been carried out across all the Manchester libraries.**

There were only two libraries who gained 100% satisfaction and BMCA library was one of these.



## ACTIVE TRAVEL

**In 2023, BMCA introduced a cycling program to boost physical well-being, promote active travel, and help people lower their carbon footprint sustainably. 2024 will see the launch of 'BMCA Bike Library.'**

Through the Cycle and Stride scheme, we partnered with TFGM to offer two cycle training sessions: 'Complete Beginners' and 'Confidence Builder.' Led by TFGM's qualified trainers, these sessions, which include bike provision, are accessible to community members facing cycling barriers. Both sessions received positive feedback, with participants expressing increased confidence and enjoyment.

One participant, initially hesitant due to a lack of practice, reported feeling much safer and more confident on their bike after the 'Confidence Builder' session.



## SOCIAL ACTION (CONTINUED)

“ I volunteered at the nursery in Barlow Moor Community Association as part of my university placement for my clinical psychology postgraduate degree. I found this to be an enriching learning experience. I was greeted with incredible kindness from everyone at the Community Association and felt welcome there from my first day. The staff at Barlow Moor are highly committed to making this an inclusive and accessible space, and this was very much evident in the nursery. I was able to apply what I had learned on my course in a professional setting while being constantly supported and encouraged by the nursery staff. I feel very grateful to have been able to complete my placement in such a welcoming and supportive environment, and I am very appreciative of the enlightening experiences I have gained concerning both the day-to-day processes at the nursery as well as the Community Association as a whole.

MMU student



“ When I retired from work in social care, I decided to do some volunteering, ideally in the area where I lived. I knew I wanted to be involved with people and so I began a search for a role that would be useful but also something that I would enjoy. In January 2024 I saw the advert for volunteers at Chorlton satellite library which is within Barlow Moor Community Centre. After an interview with a manager and a member of staff, my first session was at the beginning of February 2024.

*Taking on any new task can be a challenge! I didn't want to mess things up and wanted to get things right. I needn't have worried. I very quickly picked up what a supportive environment it was. I was shown what to do and any concerns I had quickly disappeared.*

*Although the library volunteers are usually there on their own, the BMCC staff are all very involved and I would say the library volunteer is part of the wider team within the centre.*

*A couple of weeks after I joined there was an initiative to pick up rubbish in the area around the centre. I was able to do a short period out and about in the community. What was very clear was the commitment the team and volunteers have to all aspects in the area where we live.*

*Around the time I had joined there had been a survey on how library users viewed the service. The feedback was very positive indeed, 100% satisfaction! The library has stayed open mainly due to the commitment of the volunteers. In recognition of this the team at BMCC organised a meeting with local councillors, staff and the volunteers. Feedback was given to the volunteers and a surprise cake shared. It was a great way to acknowledge the part the volunteers play in the centre.*

*Although I am a fairly new member to the volunteer group, I already feel established there. I have enjoyed feeling part of a team who hopefully make a small but positive impact on the lives of local people, coming into the library and the centre. I am really enjoying my time at the centre and each week I am learning more! I definitely recommend volunteering to any of my friends who are thinking about it.*

Library volunteer

# REDUCING THE IMPACTS OF POVERTY

BMCA collaborates with over 40 external partners to address the cost-of-living crisis through a neighbourhood-focused approach. Our frontline staff implement the outcomes of these partnerships, providing a variety of services that support local residents holistically. This approach helps reduce the impact of the crisis by increasing awareness of available benefits and support, offering knowledge on low-cost meals, and improving access to broader services within the community.

“ Families are struggling more and more in the community and are coming to schools for help and support, I wanted to expand my knowledge on support in the area so I felt equipped to help the families in need. I also wanted to work towards not only helping the families in my school but the wider community. The cost of living partnership shares my passion and drive for both and works towards real change on a wider scale than I could have imagined. ”



## ENHANCED SUPPORT

With the expansion of our Financial, Information, Advice, and Guidance sessions, we've been able to assist more individuals.

Assistance with completing forms such as Personal Independence Payment, Disability Living Allowance, and Attendance Allowance, as well as providing tailored housing and benefit support. This service has significantly impacted lives by ensuring people receive all the benefits they're entitled to and by helping with essential forms that many find challenging to complete.

## SCHOOL UNIFORM SUPPORT

During the summer holidays, we provided school uniforms to local families struggling with the cost of living.


Many of these families face daily challenges in meeting basic needs, and the added expense of new school uniforms can create significant stress. This initiative helped ease that burden, ensuring children have the proper uniforms to start the school year on equal footing with their peers and access the same opportunities.



## REFRESH/REBRAND

Our food provision, once primarily serving those over 60, has reached a more diverse group with the launch of our 'Community Living Room.'


This initiative has expanded our complimentary lunch services to include breakfast, aimed at those who might otherwise go without a hot meal due to rising energy and food costs. These sessions run Monday to Friday, followed by social afternoons. Feedback has been positive, with comments like, "Thank you so much for my lunch; the food here is always lovely."

**652**  
SUPERMARKET  
VOUCHERS  
ISSUED



**£1305** IN SCHOOL  
HOLIDAY VOUCHERS



**188**  
SUPPORT PACKS



**KEY ORGANISATIONS IN OUR PARTNERSHIP**



# DRIVING CHANGE

## CONSULTATION FOR 5 YEAR PLAN

Since May 2023 we have been consulting local people on what they wanted in the short, medium and long term for new ideas and improvements to the services we offer, enabling them to give feedback and have input into the strategic direction of our 5 year plan.

Consulting with the community on their preferences and needs from center's services is a crucial step towards creating a more responsive and effective support system. By actively involving people in shaping the services, it empowers them to take ownership of their environment. This process fosters a more engaging, inclusive, people centred atmosphere, ensuring that the services are better tailored to meet their evolving requirements, ultimately leading to a more beneficial and enriching experience for all involved.

## COST OF LIVING

**Our success in addressing the cost-of-living crisis has led to our involvement in the city-wide research project, "Building an Anti-Poverty Community."**

This project has highlighted the importance of collaboration and reducing duplication. It revealed that while some areas have abundant food support, they lack access to employment support, advice, education, and benefit assistance. BMCA is recognised as a proactive organisation that values partnership. This year, our collaboration with Something to Aim For and Manchester Central Food Bank has showcased our skills and opened doors for future research opportunities.

## CITY OF SANCTUARY

**This year has seen increased demand for support around homelessness, temporary accommodation and asylum.**

We have strengthened our partnership with City of Sanctuary who support asylum seekers and refugees in Manchester, some living locally in temporary accommodation. We have seen gradual increase in asylum seekers and those in temporary accommodation accessing our provision. The positive impact on mental health of getting out of the hotel is huge due to overcrowding, little opportunity to socialise, lack of funds, language and cultural barriers, very low confidence and fears of stigmatisation. Our provision has given the opportunity to improve English and integrate culturally, as well as improving wellbeing, confidence and access to prospects.

## CASH FIRST

We have secured additional funding this year to enable us to make a stronger emphasis on a cash first approach in terms of food distribution moving to a supermarket voucher scheme enabling more choice, meeting diverse needs and empowering people.

## HATE CRIME AWARENESS VIDEO / DIVERSITY DAY

We secured some additional funding to complete a 4 week project around hate crime awareness, with the young people researching the topic and then creating jumpers, t shirts, flyers, banners, posters and a video for youtube, aimed at highlighting hate crime awareness and how to report it.

They then volunteered at the centres 'diversity day' event, where the youth zone held a playing out day and showcased the video and materials they had created. This project not only raised awareness about hate crimes but also empowered our young participants to actively contribute to social change, fostering a sense of responsibility and advocacy within the community.

## WORKING IN PARTNERSHIP

**Pioneer House High School is a coeducational special school located in the Northern Moor area of Manchester.**

This year as well as volunteering in the centre in both the kitchen and library students have been working on developing a community cafe within the grounds of the school to enable students to learn skills readying them for the workplace. Skills have included retail, cash handling and customer service with a number completing barista training. In order to launch their new cafe "The Strawberry Fox" Pioneer House students joined us for our annual Merseyfest celebration providing refreshments throughout the day, their headteacher left the following google review:



**“Attended Mersey Fest for the first time today and thoroughly enjoyed it! The planning and organisation of the event was seamless, it was evident from entry to exit that relationships were built on strong foundations and there was an altruistic investment, not only in the community itself, but in each individual within it. BMCA kindly gave Pioneer House High School Students an invaluable opportunity to promote their new cafe and community hub as well as actively demonstrate themselves as capable, dedicated and employable. The whole day buzzed with belonging and every person I spoke to had been positively impacted by the centre and its staff in some (or many) ways. This is a testimony to the commitment they have to improving lives, increasing opportunities and sharing successes. An ethos that is as inspirational as they are passionate.”**

# VIBRANT COMMUNITIES

## CASE STUDY

**The service user initially came to the center after recently arriving in the UK, seeking to improve their spoken English as they were eager to find employment.**

During their first appointment, they expressed a desire to enhance their English through volunteering and possibly enrolling in some courses. They were quite shy and spoke softly.

We explored the opportunity for them to volunteer at the Library, which they were enthusiastic about. They began working with an experienced volunteer to learn how the library operated, acquiring new skills and understanding the processes involved.

As they continued volunteering, their spoken English improved, and they grew more confident. They shared their passion for cooking and expressed interest in preparing food from their home country for others to enjoy.

In line with our policy, they completed their food hygiene qualification and an allergy awareness certificate, enabling them to cook in our kitchen. They quickly became a regular volunteer in the kitchen, working alongside our community chef and preparing delicious food for community events, including a diversity day.

They also sought support in job applications, including CV writing and completing application forms. We discussed how acquiring additional qualifications could enhance their employment prospects. They agreed

to pursue a **Level 1 course in Preparing to Work in Schools**, which helped them further develop their knowledge, and continue improving their written and spoken English.

During the course, they interviewed for a part-time role, and we worked together to ensure they were well-prepared. **The interview was successful, and they received an offer.** Despite the part-time nature of the role, they chose to continue volunteering and attending courses. After completing the Level 1 course, they advanced to the **Level 2 Support Work in Schools and Colleges course.**

This approach has been highly beneficial for both the individual and the centre.



## WHITEHOUSE PROJECT

**As part of our outreach efforts, we recently launched a new project on the Arrowfield estate, based at the Whitehouse.**

This initiative provided us with an opportunity to engage with local residents to understand their needs and preferences. We consulted with the community to identify the types of support and activities they desired, which allowed us to tailor the project to address these needs.

The project offered a variety of activities, including cooking sessions, craft workshops, informational sessions, and cake and conversation gatherings. Although participation has been modest, the events have successfully provided attendees with valuable information and led to several individuals being referred to additional services.

Overall, the project has contributed to reducing loneliness and isolation, enhancing residents' awareness of available services, and improving their mental well-being.



## YOUTH-LED CINEMA NIGHT

**We organised a youth-led cinema night during the play session.**

Empowering our young participants, they took charge of every aspect, from designing tickets and posters to planning and shopping for confectioneries. They held a peer poll to determine the film of the night and helped us transform our space into a makeshift cinema, complete with a projector. To add a unique touch, we provided the young people with "monopoly money" to interact with volunteer "vendors" during the film, creating an immersive experience. This cinema night not only showcased the talents and leadership skills of our youth but also fostered a sense of community and creativity, highlighting their creativity and camaraderie, and the potential for joy and collaboration even in the simplest activities.

## WALKING ROUNDERS

**This year we secured funding for our first walking rounders session, in response to previous requests for walking sports from service users.**

We delivered the session with the support of a volunteer who has a background as a sports coach and has experience with walking sports specifically. Their support and enthusiasm made the activity more enjoyable, and meant we were able to adapt the session to the individual needs of the service users who attended.

## SPORTS PROGRAM

**The young people were involved in creating a sports program, they went through the plan we had created and researched the resources needed, they used Amazon to select all the equipment we needed for the new sports program we had created.**

We have also now started dodgeball, football and basketball on Thursday evenings, as well as increased and improved how we play these games in the junior gen session on Mondays and Thursdays. Implementing these benefits the young people by enhancing their overall experience and helping to improve their physical fitness and coordination, while promoting teamwork and social skills.

## WALK TO SCHOOL WEEK

**Our project for National Walk to School Week has been incredibly successful and has had a positive impact on our community in several ways.**

Through our posters and pictures, we aimed to promote the benefits of walking to school and encourage more children to adopt this healthy habit. We aimed to inspire our young people to embrace physical activity and prioritise walking as a form of exercise. By discussing the long-term benefits of walking to school, we have demonstrated that it is not only a healthy option but also an enjoyable and social activity. We had conversations about how regular physical activity, like walking, improves cardiovascular health, boosts mental well-being, and helps maintain a healthy lifestyle. By starting this habit early in life, we are setting the foundation for a healthier future for the children in our community. This has encouraged more families to incorporate walking into their daily routines, leading to a more active community overall. Walking to school is an eco-friendly alternative to driving or using other forms of transport. It was important for us to emphasise this aspect in keeping with our sense of social action, and in doing so our project has helped install a sense of environmental responsibility among the children. By choosing to walk, they contribute to reducing air pollution and congestion around schools, creating a cleaner and safer environment for everyone, and just as important giving our young people a sense of achievement and becoming part of something bigger to help their community.

## ARCHERTYPE - ARCHERY/DODGEBALL HYBRID ACTIVITY

**As an extension to our trip program which included trampolining, ice skating and go karting, we introduced "Archertype," a dynamic Archery/Dodgeball hybrid activity.**

This exhilarating experience not only provided an adrenaline rush but also fosters teamwork, strategic thinking, and physical fitness. By actively involving the young people in the planning and execution of this adventure, we witnessed positive outcomes such as enhanced and learning new skills, increased confidence, and a strong sense of camaraderie. The Archertype activity promotes physical fitness, teamwork, and boosts self-esteem, contributing to the overall personal development and holistic wellbeing of our young participants.



# POSITIVE CHANGE

14 months ago I happened upon BMCA completely by accident, I was recently bereaved, questioning my own morality, not looking for anybody to save me. Then came the best decision we made in a very long time. I walked through the door. Totally broken. Every time I opened my mouth pain poured out. I didn't know what I expected to find, my faith in people was gone. A member of staff asked me to grab them a chance, she says "Judge me on what I do, not what I say" I have a big smile writing this as she certainly made me believe out of me, albeit not the only one. What I found at BMCA were people selflessly doing for others, just because they can. Yes BMCA provide invaluable services to a community that desperately needs them, but what may go unnoticed is that for each & everyone that steps through the door, BMCA sees you! they value the human element,

the singular just as important as the collective. What they do here matters I will never be able to repay the kindness or adequately put into words what BMCA has done for me & continues to. If I could say just one thing to potential service users - WALK THROUGH THE DOOR. To the staff - THANK YOU FOR JUST BEING YOU.



**178**

CHILDREN RECEIVING TOYS AT CHRISTMAS



**670**

ACCESSED COMMUNITY LUNCHES



**70** SIM CARDS ISSUED



**24** MOBILE DEVICES



**210** PEOPLE ATTENDED TRIPS



**557** FOODBANK VOUCHERS ISSUED

Community work isn't just about lending a helping hand; it's about creating lasting change. So what if it's just one small act? That one act can ripple through a community, inspiring others and transforming lives.



**4204**  
VOLUNTEER  
HOURS



**95** ACTIVE  
VOLUNTEERS



**31** GAINED  
EMPLOYMENT



**83** PEOPLE  
STAYING  
ACTIVE



**106** GAINED  
ACCREDITED  
QUALIFICATIONS/  
TRAINING



**114** ACCESSED FREE  
SCHOOL HOLIDAY  
PROVISION



**219** PEOPLE  
STAYING  
CONNECTED



**£47,505**  
IN SOCIAL  
VALUE



CHRISTMAS DAY

*"From realising I had serious issues regarding money, housing, food and loneliness, BMCA picked me up and gave me the support I needed meaning that I am still here today," he said. He now accesses the place four times a week and supports the Music for Mindfulness group every Friday, 'helping people like BMCA helped me'. "BMCA is probably the one and only place that really understand the word community, they embrace lives and create relationships and friendships," said James. "Providing support from simply being fed, to developing skills and creating confidence. Every person who turns up walks out 100% more confident and independent knowing they are cared for and come back time and time again."*

**The poverty in the shadows of a trendy town and the fight for a kinder city - Manchester Evening News**

# CEO STATEMENT

**Every year our impact report is a wonderful opportunity to stop and look back on the previous 12 months reflecting on the work we have done, the opportunities we have identified and the amazing successes of our staff, volunteers and service users.**

During what has been another difficult year for everyone we have seen our services grow successfully, meeting the increased need caused by the cost-of-living crisis. From food parcels and School Uniform to Yoga and Bingo our staff and volunteers have strived to provide help, support and light relief to the people of Merseybank Estate and beyond.

In a recent funding application Becky and I were trying to illustrate why BMCA is so successful at what we do, with an office covered in flip chart paper and many attempts to describe what we do we finally landed on the idea of baking a cake! Now I know this sounds strange, but let me explain, you see the cake is the end product, the outcome if you like. After all the hard work is done (and the pots are washed) you get to enjoy what you have created and so for us the cake is the impact, the changes we see in people and in our community. So, what are the ingredients I hear you ask! Well as always, we are happy to help – we decided on a simple recipe with only four ingredients:

**Eggs** – For us these are our Universal Services – our daily delivery, the things you expect to see here at BMCA, our Nursery and youth/play sessions, job club, qualifications and training, health and wellbeing activities and social afternoons.

**Butter** – This is the richness that comes from wider community projects that we call Social Action - our community forums, volunteering opportunities, charity shop and bike library.

**Flour** – The necessary ingredient that binds everything together, for us this is Reducing the Impacts of Poverty. Without this work we can't expect to be successful in any of the other areas.

**Milk** – the element that changes everything and this is our Driving Change – our partnership work, our advocacy and our collective voice.

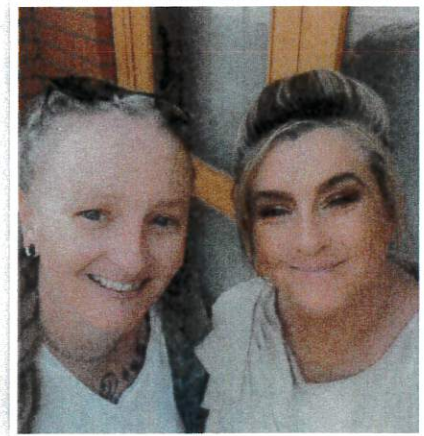
As you have read through the impact report you will have seen these ingredients laid out in more detail and hopefully you will agree that the proof is most definitely in the pudding!

As well as all the baking, this year we were able to spread our wings a little further with the introduction of our partnership with Manchester Central Foodbank and Something To Aim For, joining them to address increasing need across Manchester through their Building An Anti-Poverty Community Project. This project not only increased BMCA's visibility across the City but enabled us to further develop our partnerships ensuring a truly holistic approach to the support we provide.

Following on from this project and the continued success of our own cost of living partnership we were also invited to take part in a research project with the University of Manchester further ensuring that our role as advocate for local people is successful in influencing change on a larger scale.

Moving into a new 5-year business plan we are excited for the future, we have a solid team of staff and volunteers who we know will continue to strive to be the best for their community

**And now on to 2024/25 – Lets do this!**



*Toni & Becky*



**255**  
DAYS



OVER **19,000** HOURS  
OF FACE TO FACE  
DELIVERY



**849** INDIVIDUALS  
ACCESSED PROVISION

This year we said a fond farewell to four of our long standing board members. Thank you for all your hard work and dedication to BMCA over many years.

PHIL DAVIES

CHRISTINE DAVIES

ANNE PILKINGTON

LUKE HODGES



THANK YOU

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# Accounts

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**BARLOW MOOR COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION LIMITED**

**REGISTERED COMPANY NUMBER 07476646 (ENGLAND)  
REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER: 1142217**

**FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023**

**COMMUNITY ACCOUNTANCY SERVICE LIMITED  
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BESWICK  
MANCHESTER  
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**BARLOW MOOR COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION LIMITED****Report of the trustees for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2023**

The trustees present their annual directors' report and financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2023 which are also prepared to meet the requirements for a directors' report and accounts for Companies Act purposes.

The financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the Companies Act 2006, the Memorandum and Articles of Association, and the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019).

**Reference and administrative information**

Charity Name: Barlow Moor Community Association Limited

Charity Number: 1142217

Company No: 07476646

**Directors and trustees**

The directors of the charitable company (the charity) are its trustees for the purpose of charity law.

The trustees and officers serving during the year and since the year end were as follows:

Ms Joanna Midgley (Chair)

Mrs Christine Davls (Treasurer)

Mr Philip Davis

Rev. Anne Pilkington

Mrs Michelle Hodges

Mr Luke Hodges

Ms Helen Sharples (also Company Secretary)

Miss Clover Hudson (appointed 16<sup>th</sup> November 2022)

Mr George Coombs (appointed 16<sup>th</sup> November 2022)

**Key Management Personnel: Trustees and Directors**

Ms Joanna Midgley                      Chair of Trustees

Senior Managers:

Ms Rebecca Elliot, Ms Toni Toner

Miss Philomena Sales

**Registered Office**

23 Merseybank Avenue, Manchester, M21 7NT

**Independent Examiners**

Community Accountancy Service Limited

The Grange, Pilgrim Drive

Beswick, Manchester M11 3TQ

**Bankers**

Cooperative Bank plc, 1 Balloon Street, Manchester, M60 4EP

Epworth Investment Management, 9 Bonhill Street, London, EC2A 4PE

## BARLOW MOOR COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION LIMITED

### Objectives and activities

The purposes of the charity are:

- to promote the benefit of the inhabitants of Barlow Moor and its environs without distinction of sex, sexual orientation, race or of political, religious or other opinion by associating together the said inhabitants and the local authorities, voluntary or other organisations in a common effort to advance education,
- to provide facilities in the interests of social welfare for recreation and leisure time occupation with the object of improving the condition of life for the said inhabitants.
- to secure the establishment of a community centre and to maintain and manage the same whether alone or in cooperation with any local authority or other person or body in furtherance of these objects, and
- such other purposes as may be charitable according to the law of England and Wales and to relieve the poverty of the public in England by the provision of free and confidential information about charitable, voluntary, health and public services.

The trustees confirm that they have referred to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit when reviewing the Charity's aims and objectives, in planning future activities, and setting the policies for the year.

The charity furthers its charitable purposes for the public benefit through undertaking community activities.

We provide cradle to the grave services through two services, Children & Young People and Adult Services. This includes a 30 place nursery offering 15 hours care for under 5's per week, a Stay and Play session, Open access play sessions and holiday play schemes.

Our Youth provision offers 2 Intermediate Youth sessions per week for 9 – 14yr olds and 2 Senior Youth sessions per week for the 13+ age group.

Our Older Peoples service runs over 3 days per week, offering exercise classes, arts & crafts, a greetings card social enterprise, social activities, befriending & luncheon club.

Our community learning/library offers a full library service run by volunteers and a twice weekly work club, training courses, advice and information.

"Our People Our Place" project offers Health & Wellbeing project activities throughout the week within the centre and across the wider community, and include seasonal events and supported volunteering opportunities.

We maintain a community centre for use by other groups including Credit Union, Slimming World, mediation services, faith groups, private parties, Residents Association, local regeneration steering group, social housing provider and local authority, councillor surgeries, Food Bank and Narcotics Anonymous.

### Structure, governance and management

Barlow Moor Community Association Limited is a company limited by guarantee governed by its Memorandum and Articles of Association dated 22<sup>nd</sup> December 2010. It is registered as a charity with the Charity Commission (dated 2nd June 2011).

## BARLOW MOOR COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION LIMITED

### **Appointment of trustees**

As set out in the Articles of Association trustees are elected annually by the members of the charitable company attending the Annual General meeting. Each year one third of the trustees shall retire from office by rotation based on the longest standing and offer themselves for re-election.

### **Trustee Induction and training**

Trustees are given information about their role and responsibilities on first being appointed. They are also given a copy of the constitution, information about staffing and management, and are shown copies of policy documents.

Once appointed to subgroups they are given further information on funding, systems etc, and are trained in relevant procedures (eg. Bank reconciliation and other Quickbooks procedures for the treasurer).

### **Organisation**

The board of trustees administers the charity. The board normally meets monthly. A Centre Manager is appointed by the trustees to manage the day-to-day operations of the charity.

### **Related parties and co-operation with other organisations**

None of our trustees receive remuneration or other benefit from their work as a trustee with the charity. Any connection between a trustee or senior manager with any service providers must be disclosed to the full board of trustees in the same way as any other contractual relationship with a related party.

### **A review of our achievements and performance**

The main achievements during the year are set out in the Impact Report in the Appendix.

### **Financial review**

The charity had ended the year with income totalling £521,175 (2022 £443,542). Expenditure increased to £506,642 from £499,969 with most of this coming from restricted reserves. This left a surplus of £14,533 (2022 deficit of £56,427). Unrestricted reserves at the year end, were £112,856, down from £116,666 in 2022.

### **Investment powers and policy**

The trustees, having regard to the liquidity requirements of operating the charity, have kept available funds in an interest bearing deposit account.

### **Reserves policy and going concern**

The balance held in unrestricted reserves at 31<sup>st</sup> March 2023 was £112,856 of which £109,723 is free reserves, after allowing for funds tied up in tangible fixed assets. The charity has designated just over £6,000 of this to support specific activities. Restricted reserves totalled £107,326 with £75,844 relating to fixed assets (spent) and £31,442 relating to revenue.

The trustees aim to establish and maintain free reserves in unrestricted funds at a level which equates to approximately four months of charitable expenditure (currently £169,000). The trustees consider that this level will provide sufficient funds to respond to applications for grants and ensure

**BARLOW MOOR COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION LIMITED**

that support and governance costs are covered. Currently free reserves stand at just over 2.5 months running costs. Having regard to the 23/24 budget and supplemented by the general funds the trustees consider that the charity is a going concern. Grants of £325,000 have been confirmed for 2023/24.

**Risk management**

The trustees have conducted a review of the major risks to which the charity is exposed and systems have been established to mitigate those risks. Where appropriate, systems or procedures have been established to mitigate the risks the charity faces. Procedures are in place to ensure compliance with health and safety of staff, volunteers, young people, other service users and visitors.

**Trustees responsibilities in relation to the financial statements**

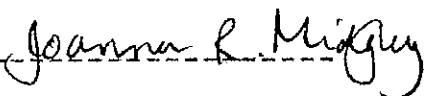
The charity trustees (who are also the directors of Barlow Moor Community Association Limited for the purposes of company law) are responsible for preparing a trustees' annual report and financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

Company law requires the charity trustees to prepare financial statements for each year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure, of the charitable company for that period. In preparing the financial statements, the trustees are required to:

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

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

By order of the board of trustees

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Chair Ms Joanna Midgley

Date: 1st July 2023

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF BARLOW  
MOOR COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION LIMITED**

I report on the accounts of the company for the Year Ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2023, which are set out on pages 6 to 19.

**Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner**

The trustees (who are also the directors of the company for the purposes of company law) are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed. The charity is required by company law to prepare accrued accounts and I am qualified to undertake the examination by being a qualified member of The Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales.

Having satisfied myself that the charity is not subject to audit under company law and is eligible for independent examination, it is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act ;
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(b) of the 2011 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 the general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair view' and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

**Independent examiner's statement**

In connection with my examination, except as shown below, 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 386 of the Companies Act 2006; and
  - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records, comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the Companies Act 2006, ; and
  - with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities

have not been met; or

- (2) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



EL Anderson MA FCA CTA  
Community Accountancy Service Ltd  
The Grange, Pilgrim Drive  
Beswick, Manchester, M11 3TQ

Date: 1<sup>st</sup> July 2023

**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023**  
(including income and expenditure account)

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds 2023 £	Restricted Funds 2023 £	Year Ended 31 March 2023 £	Year Ended 31 March 2022 £
<b>INCOME FROM</b>					
Donations & Legacies	2	1,117	1,000	2,117	6,994
Donation In Kind		-	3,800	3,800	3,800
Charitable activities	3	73,842	417,648	491,490	419,746
Other Trading Activities	4	21,789	-	21,789	13,955
Investment Income		1,979	-	1,979	47
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>		<u>98,727</u>	<u>422,448</u>	<u>521,175</u>	<u>443,542</u>
<b>RESOURCES EXPENDED</b>					
Costs of Raising Funds	8	11,045	-	11,045	3,000
Grants Made	8	-	6,715	6,715	-
Charitable Activities	6	91,352	397,530	488,862	499,969
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURE</b>		<u>102,397</u>	<u>404,245</u>	<u>506,642</u>	<u>499,969</u>
<b>NET INCOME (EXPENDITURE) &amp; NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS FOR THE YEAR</b>		(3,670)	18,203	14,533	(56,427)
Gross Transfer between funds	16	(140)	140	-	-
<b>RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS</b>					
TOTAL FUNDS BROUGHT FORWARD	16	116,866	66,983	205,649	262,076
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	16	<u>112,866</u>	<u>107,328</u>	<u>220,182</u>	<u>205,649</u>

The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses in the year. All incoming resources and resources expended derive from continuing activities.

The notes on pages 9 to 19 form part of these accounts.

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 MARCH 2023

	Notes	2023 £	2022 £
<b>FIXED ASSETS</b>			
Tangible Fixed Assets	10	79,017	75,100
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>			
Debtors	11	15,187	18,322
Cash at Bank and in Hand		<u>218,859</u>	<u>193,721</u>
		234,146	212,043
<b>LIABILITIES:</b>			
Amounts falling due within one year	12	<u>(92,981)</u>	<u>(81,494)</u>
<b>NET CURRENT ASSETS</b>		141,165	130,549
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>		<u>220,182</u>	<u>205,649</u>
<b>THE FUNDS OF THE CHARITY</b>			
Restricted Income Funds	16	107,328	88,983
Unrestricted Income Funds	16	<u>112,856</u>	<u>118,668</u>
<b>TOTAL CHARITY FUNDS</b>		<u>220,182</u>	<u>208,649</u>

For the year in question the company was entitled to the exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.  
 - The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its accounts for the year in question in accordance with section 476.  
 - The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts.

These accounts have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies' regime.

Approved on behalf of the Company's Board of Trustees:

Trustee Joanna R. Midgley Ms Joanna Midgley

Trustee C. Davis Mrs Christine Davis

Date: 1st July 2023

The notes on pages 9 to 19 form part of these accounts.

## STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31ST MARCH 2023

	2023 £	2022 £
<b>RECONCILIATION OF NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS TO NET CASH FLOW FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES</b>		
Net movement in funds	14,533	(58,427)
Add back depreciation	9,227	8,151
Deduct investment income	(1,979)	(47)
Decrease/(increase) in debtors	3,135	(4,143)
Increase/(decrease) in creditors	11,487	3,938
<b>Net cash used in operating activities</b>	<u>38,403</u>	<u>(48,828)</u>
<b>Cash flows from investment activities:</b>		
Interest	1,979	47
Purchase of fixed assets	(13,144)	(8,398)
<b>Net cash provided by investing activities</b>	<u>(11,165)</u>	<u>(8,349)</u>
Increase/(decrease) in cash and cash equivalents during the year	25,238	(58,877)
Cash and cash equivalents brought forward	193,721	250,598
<b>Cash and cash equivalents carried forward</b>	<u>218,959</u>	<u>193,721</u>

## NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

**1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES****(a) Basis of preparation and assessment of going concern**

The accounts (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 financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) effective 1st January 2019, the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102), the Charities Act 2011 and The Companies Act 2008. The charity constitutes a public benefit entity as defined by FRS 102. The trustees consider that there are no material uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue as a going concern.

**(b) Funds structure**

Restricted funds are funds which are to be used in accordance with specific restrictions imposed by the donor or trust deed. There are 31 restricted funds at the year end. Unrestricted income funds comprise those funds which the trustees are free to use for any purpose in furtherance of the charitable objects. Unrestricted funds include designated funds where the trustees, at their discretion have created a fund for a specific purpose. Further details of each fund are disclosed in note 16.

**(c) Income recognition**

All income is recognised once the charity has entitlement to the income, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount of income receivable can be measured reliably. Donations are recognised when the charity has been notified in writing of both the amount and settlement date. In the event that a donation is subject to conditions that require a level of performance before the charity is entitled to the funds, the income is deferred and not recognised until either those conditions are fully met, or the fulfilment of those conditions is wholly within the control of the charity and it is probable that those conditions will be fulfilled in the reporting period. Interest on funds held on deposit is included when receivable and the amount can be measured reliably by the charity; this is normally upon notification of the interest paid or payable by the bank. Dividends are recognised once the dividend has been declared and notification has been received of the dividend due.

**(d) Expenditure Recognition**

Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, it is probable that settlement will be required and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. All expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis. All expenses including support costs and governance costs are allocated or apportioned to the applicable expenditure headings. For more information on this attribution refer to note (g) below.

**(e) Irrecoverable VAT**

Irrecoverable VAT is charged against the expenditure heading for which it was incurred.

**(f) Allocation of support and governance costs**

Support costs have been allocated between governance costs and other support costs. Governance costs comprise all costs involving the public accountability of the charity and its compliance with regulation and good practice. These costs include costs related to independent examination and legal fees together with an apportionment of overhead and support costs. Governance costs and support costs relating to charitable activities have been apportioned based on staff time and facilities used in each activity. The allocation of support and governance costs is analysed in note 7.

**(g) Charitable Activities**

Costs of charitable activities include governance costs and an apportionment of support costs as shown in Note 6.

**(h) Tangible fixed assets and depreciation**

Fixed assets are included in the accounts at net book value. Additions of a single item or a group of similar assets exceeding £500, are capitalised at cost (valuation for donated assets). Depreciation is provided to write off the cost less the estimated residual value of tangible fixed assets over their estimated useful lives as follows:-

Computer Equipment	33.33% on cost
Furniture & Equipment	25% on cost
Leasehold Improvements	over 22 years from January 2014

**(i) Debtors**

Trade and other debtors are recognised at settlement amount due after any trade discount offered. Prepayments are valued at the amount prepaid net of any trade discounts due.

**(j) Creditors and Provisions**

Creditors and provisions are recognised where the charity has a present obligation resulting from a past event that will probably result in the transfer of funds to a third party and the amount due to settle the obligation can be measured or estimated reliably. Creditors and provisions are normally recognised at their settlement amount after allowing for any trade discounts due.

**(k) Taxation**

The organisation is exempt from income tax by reason of its charitable status. Income tax suffered on investment income is reclaimed in full. The Charity is not registered for VAT.

**(l) Pensions**

The charity operates an auto enrolment defined contribution pension scheme for its employees. The charity has no liability beyond making its contributions and paying across the deductions for the employee contributions.

**(m) Contingent liabilities**

A contingent liability is identified and disclosed for those transactions resulting from a possible obligation which will only be confirmed by the occurrence of one or more uncertain future events not wholly within the trustees' control.

**(n) Commitments Under Operating Leases**

Rentals are charged to income and expenditure as they fall due.

2 INCOME FROM DONATIONS AND LEGACIES	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total 2023
	Funds	Funds	
	£	£	£
Donations	1,117	1,000	2,117
	<u>1,117</u>	<u>1,000</u>	<u>2,117</u>
Previous Year	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total 2022
	Funds	Funds	
	£	£	£
Donations	500	5,904	6,904
	<u>500</u>	<u>5,904</u>	<u>6,904</u>

## NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

## 3 INCOME FROM CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2023
	£	£	£
Grants:			
Our Manchester VCS	-	58,051	58,051
MCC NIF - Various	-	20,978	20,978
High Sheriff	-	500	500
HAF	-	22,508	22,508
Garfield Weston Foundation	27,500	-	27,500
Vaolja	-	1,173	1,173
We Love Manchester	-	400	400
MCC - Hate Crime	-	500	500
MCC - Household Support & Food	-	6,505	6,505
MCC - Young People	-	65,288	65,288
The Henry Smith Charity	-	18,025	18,025
Trusthouse	-	21,055	21,055
Awards for All	-	9,778	9,778
Good Things Foundation	2,000	-	2,000
Co-operative	-	1,871	1,871
MCC Work Club	-	9,531	9,531
Southway - Learning Hub	-	19,992	19,992
Southway - Beautiful South	-	5,870	5,870
Southway - Breakfast Packs	-	2,000	2,000
Manchester Airport	-	1,400	1,400
Arnold Clarke	-	2,000	2,000
Duchy of Lancaster	-	1,900	1,900
Hits Radio	-	3,800	3,800
Forever Manchester	-	100	100
Zachonia Trust	3,000	-	3,000
Big Life	7,500	-	7,500
Big Lottery Reaching Communities	-	66,885	66,885
MCC Wellbeing Fund	-	2,750	2,750
Manchester Relief in Need	-	2,250	2,250
OPeNS	-	22,294	22,294
Free Entitlement	32,060	-	32,060
MCC YP - Playscheme	-	2,450	2,450
Young Manchester	-	17,588	17,588
Young Manchester - Other	-	2,000	2,000
Sport England	-	5,033	5,033
Other Small Grants	-	16,573	16,573
<b>Total Grants</b>	<b>72,060</b>	<b>410,016</b>	<b>482,076</b>
Group Contributions etc	122	5,632	5,754
Other Income	1,660	2,000	3,660
	<b>1,782</b>	<b>7,632</b>	<b>9,414</b>
	<b>73,842</b>	<b>417,648</b>	<b>491,490</b>

## NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

## 3. Cont....

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2022
	£	£	£
Previous Year			
Grants:			
Our Manchester VCS	-	58,051	58,051
MCC NIF - Cooker	-	1,548	1,548
High Sheriff	-	500	500
HAF	-	23,783	23,783
Garfield Weston Foundation	14,500	-	14,500
Veolia	-	22,287	22,287
We Love Manchester	-	7,000	7,000
MCC - RHLGF	9,245	-	9,245
MCC - Hate Crime	-	2,500	2,500
MCC - Marseyfest	-	3,014	3,014
MCC - Santa Dash	-	1,000	1,000
Good Things Foundallon	5,221	-	5,221
Young Manchester Adventure Fund	-	2,492	2,492
MCC Work Club	-	7,500	7,500
Southway - Learning Hub	-	19,992	19,992
Southway - Beautiful South	-	4,000	4,000
Southway - Winter Warmer	-	1,000	1,000
Southway - Summer Activities	-	900	900
Arnold Clarke	-	1,000	1,000
Living Well Foudallon	-	20,637	20,637
B & Q Foundation	4,979	-	4,979
Forever Manchester	-	100	100
Zochonis Trust	3,000	-	3,000
Big Life	10,000	-	10,000
Unitarian Church	3,700	-	3,700
MCC Wellbeing Fund	-	1,509	1,509
MCC Wellbeing Fund - Covid	-	8,029	8,029
Gr. Mcc. Mental Health - Wellbeing	-	1,000	1,000
OPeNS	-	49,240	49,240
Free Entitlement	28,811	-	28,811
NHS	-	12,369	12,369
Young Manchester - Playscheme	-	11,094	11,094
Young Manchester	-	66,129	66,129
Young Manchester - Social Action	-	1,000	1,000
Welfare Grants	-	1,720	1,720
British Science Association	-	1,000	1,000
Sport England	-	4,506	4,506
Total Grants	79,456	334,900	414,356
Group Contributions etc	-	5,005	5,005
Other Income	80	305	385
	80	5,310	5,390
	79,536	340,210	419,746

Big Lottery Reaching Communities - received £63,283 add deferred income brought forward £28,247.

## 4 INCOME FROM OTHER TRADING ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted Funds 2023	Restricted Funds 2023	2023	Unrestricted Funds 2022	Restricted Funds 2022	2022
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Room Hire	11,450	-	11,450	7,190	-	7,190
Fundraising	2,040	-	2,040	2,018	200	2,218
Shop Income	4,912	-	4,912	3,995	-	3,995
Café Income	3,387	-	3,387	554	-	554
	21,789	-	21,789	13,755	200	13,955

## 6 NET INCOMING RESOURCES FOR THE YEAR

	2023	2022
	£	£
The net incoming (outgoing) resources are stated after charging:		
Depreciation (owned assets)	9,227	8,151
Independent Examination	1,100	1,065
Other Financial Services	5,461	5,299
Trustees (Directors) Remuneration (see note 13)	-	-

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

6 EXPENDITURE

	Basis of allocation	Centre	Activity Zones	Total 2023
		£	£	£
<b>Expenditure on Generating Funds</b>				
Employment Costs	Staff Time	8,632	-	8,632
Premises Costs		1,042	-	1,042
Shop Costs		1,242	-	1,242
Café Costs		36	-	36
Other		83	-	83
		<u>11,045</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>11,045</u>

**Grants Made**

Household & Food Support		-	6,715	6,715
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**Expenditure on Charitable Activities**

				£
Employment Costs	Staff Time	129,516	155,412	284,927
Other Staff Expenses		248	-	248
DBS Checks		108	94	200
Uniforms		742	-	742
Premises Costs	Activity	16,408	1,301	17,707
Volunteer Expenses	Activity	34	-	34
Staff Travel	Activity	104	-	104
Staff Training	Activity	305	1,116	1,421
Centre Activities	Activity	22,883	31,461	54,384
Partner Payments	Activity	-	22,059	22,059
Beneficiary Training	Activity	2,707	-	2,707
Subscriptions	Activity	368	-	368
Publicity & Website	Activity	5,933	-	5,933
Support Costs		61,829	20,478	82,307
Governance Costs		18,781	-	18,781
		<u>258,841</u>	<u>231,941</u>	<u>488,882</u>

**Restricted Funds**

				£
				404,246
<b>Unrestricted Funds</b>				<u>102,387</u>
				<u>506,632</u>

Previous Year:	Basis of allocation	Centre	Activity Zones	Total 2022
Employment Costs	Staff Time	988	-	988
Premises Costs		1,978	-	1,978
Shop Costs		65	-	65
		<u>3,009</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>3,009</u>

**Expenditure on Charitable Activities**

				£
Employment Costs	Staff Time	88,386	217,827	286,212
Seasonal Staff		-	300	300
DBS Checks		140	8	148
Uniforms		1,287	-	1,287
Premises Costs	Activity	921	14,680	15,811
Volunteer Expenses	Activity	25	-	25
Staff Travel	Activity	130	27	167
Staff Training	Activity	-	400	400
Centre Activities	Activity	11,354	35,924	47,278
Partner Payments	Activity	3,121	28,822	28,943
Beneficiary Training	Activity	-	3,802	3,802
Subscriptions	Activity	884	35	989
Publicity & Website	Activity	874	1,715	2,689
Support Costs		78,472	12,447	90,919
Governance Costs		17,400	-	17,400
		<u>183,063</u>	<u>313,897</u>	<u>498,860</u>

**Restricted Funds**

				£
				381,778
<b>Unrestricted Funds</b>				<u>148,181</u>
				<u>498,969</u>

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

7 ALLOCATION OF GOVERNANCE AND SUPPORT COSTS

		General Support	Governance	Total 2023	Total 2022
		£	£	£	£
Employment Costs	Staff Time	21,896		21,896	18,361
Premises Costs	Activity	2,083		2,083	1,976
Donation In Kind - premises	Activity	3,800		3,800	3,800
Insurance	Activity	3,288		3,288	3,041
Cleaning	Activity	21,220		21,220	18,422
Equipment Leasing	Activity	1,765		1,765	1,583
Repairs & Renewals	Activity	4,760		4,760	19,264
Computer Maintenance	Activity	3,577		3,577	3,096
Minor Equipment & Software	Activity	292		292	1,084
Telephone & Internet	Activity	5,742		5,742	6,649
Post, Printing & Stationery	Activity	2,503		2,503	3,338
Sundries	Activity	82		82	1,219
Payroll Services	Activity	2,041		2,041	1,839
Depreciation	Activity	9,227		9,227	8,160
Interest Paid	Activity	31		31	-
Accountancy	Governance		4,620	4,620	4,425
Consultancy	Governance		6,666	6,666	7,520
Professional Fees - HR	Governance		4,555	4,555	5,466
		<u>82,307</u>	<u>15,761</u>	<u>98,068</u>	<u>108,319</u>

8 STAFF NUMBERS AND COSTS

Staff costs were as follows:	2023	2022
	£	£
Salaries and wages	285,442	286,988
Social security costs	15,088	14,742
Pensions	4,955	4,830
	<u>315,485</u>	<u>306,541</u>

The charity employed 28 people during the year. The average number of employees during the year was 19 and calculated on the basis of full time equivalents was as follows:

	Number	Number
Management & Administration	2	2
Services	9	9
	<u>11</u>	<u>11</u>

Along with the trustees the key management personnel are the joint CEO's and Operations manager

The total employment benefits, including employer pension contributions of the key management personnel were £112,848 (2022 £111,006). No employee has benefits in excess of £60,000.

9 AMOUNTS DUE UNDER OPERATING LEASE ARRANGEMENTS

	2023	2022
	£	£
Due within one year	2,400	3,600
Due within 2-5 years	-	2,400
	<u>2,400</u>	<u>6,000</u>

A lease of £3,600 per annum for use of the premises exists but to date the lessor has donated use in kind.

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

10 TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Leasehold Improvements	Furniture & Equipment	Computer Equipment	Total
COST	£	£	£	£
At 1 April 2022	118,049	23,052	7,798	149,799
Additions	1,728	8,879	2,837	13,144
Disposals	-	-	-	-
At 31 March 2023	<u>120,877</u>	<u>31,931</u>	<u>10,336</u>	<u>162,943</u>
DEPRECIATION				
At 1 April 2022	46,112	21,789	7,798	74,699
Charge for Period	6,758	2,823	848	9,227
Disposals	-	-	-	-
At 31 March 2023	<u>50,870</u>	<u>24,412</u>	<u>8,644</u>	<u>83,926</u>
NET BOOK VALUE				
At 31 March 2023	69,807	7,519	1,691	79,017
At 31 March 2022	<u>73,837</u>	<u>1,263</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>75,100</u>

11 DEBTORS

	2023	2022
	£	£
Other Debtors	12,040	11,337
Accrued Income	800	-
Prepayments	2,047	8,985
	<u>16,187</u>	<u>18,322</u>

In 2023 £12,420 relates to restricted funds (2022 £15,590).

12 LIABILITIES: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2023	2022
	£	£
Other Creditors	7,908	5,298
Other Taxes and Social Security Costs	10,885	1
Deferred Income	47,978	49,730
Accruals	28,110	26,468
	<u>92,881</u>	<u>81,497</u>

In 2023 £60,504 is restricted funds (2022 £26,371).

13 DEFERRED INCOME

	2023	2022
	£	£
Deferred income comprises grants paid in advance (restricted income).		
Balance as at 1st April	49,730	44,060
Amount released to income earned from charitable activities	(49,730)	(44,060)
Amount deferred in the year	47,978	49,730
Balance as at 31st March	<u>47,978</u>	<u>49,730</u>

14 TRUSTEE REMUNERATION AND EXPENSES

No remuneration has been paid or is due to be paid to any of the trustees in respect of the period.  
No reimbursement of expenses has been made or is due to be made to any of the trustees in respect of the period.

16 CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

	2023	2022
	£	£
At 31 March	<u>nil</u>	<u>nil</u>

## NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

16 ANALYSIS OF CHARITABLE FUNDS	At 1st April 2022	Incoming Resources	Expenditure	Transfers	At 31st March 2023
<i>Analysis of Movement in Restricted Funds</i>	£	£	£	£	£
<b>Centre</b>					
Our Manchester VCS	-	58,051	(58,051)	-	-
Henry Smith Charity	-	18,025	(18,025)	-	-
Big Lottery	-	85,985	(54,265)	-	1,710
Trusthouse	-	21,085	(21,085)	-	-
We Love Mcr	-	400	(400)	-	-
Merseyfest	308	4,170	(2,328)	-	2,152
Donation In Kind - premises costs	-	3,800	(3,800)	-	-
NIF - Christmas	598	2,100	(2,698)	-	-
NIF - Others	-	7,231	(3,602)	-	3,729
NIF - Community Garden	-	1,000	(1,000)	-	-
Beautiful South	281	2,800	(2,627)	-	154
High Sheriff	-	500	(500)	-	-
Awards for All	-	9,778	(9,778)	-	-
Small Grants	-	100	(100)	-	-
<b>Learning Hub</b>					
Southway - Learning Hub	-	19,892	(19,892)	-	-
MCC - Work Club	-	9,531	(8,031)	-	1,500
Other	-	2,000	(2,000)	-	-
<b>Young People &amp; Playschemes</b>					
Social Action	54	-	(54)	-	-
HAF	-	22,508	(22,508)	-	-
Thrive	197	-	(197)	-	-
MCC YPP	-	65,288	(66,288)	-	-
Young Manchester	-	17,568	(17,568)	-	-
BSA Science Grant	104	-	(104)	-	-
Sport England	3,444	5,033	(7,448)	-	1,032
Southway - Summer Activities	878	-	(878)	-	-
The Cooperative - Youth Activities	3	-	(3)	-	-
MCC - Hate Crime	35	500	(535)	-	-
CYP	1,977	9,584	(7,008)	-	4,535
Playscheme Grants	-	2,360	(2,360)	-	-
Playscheme Donations & Other Income	-	80	(80)	-	-
<b>Older People &amp; Wellbeing</b>					
Arts	-	2,000	-	-	2,000
MCC Mcr Wellbeing Fund	511	2,750	(1,885)	-	1,276
Cost of Living Grants & Donations	-	10,031	(4,370)	-	5,661
NHS Manchester CCG	997	-	(997)	-	-
Hits Radio	-	3,800	(3,800)	-	-
Duchy of Lancaster	-	1,900	-	-	1,900
Illuminate	-	3,880	(2,708)	-	1,260
MCC- Hate Crime	47	-	-	-	47
Southway - Winter Warmer	387	-	(387)	-	-
Southway - Uniforms	2	2,800	(802)	-	1,900
Southway - Music for Mindfulness	1,540	-	(313)	-	1,227
MCC - Time 4U	322	-	(322)	-	-
Manchester Airport	-	1,400	(807)	-	593
Manchester Relief in Need	-	2,250	-	-	2,250
Over 60's Contributions	1,988	878	(1,148)	-	1,717
Donations	2,401	-	-	-	2,401
Southway Housing	-	2,000	(1,805)	-	195
Opens	813	22,284	(22,817)	10	-
South Neighbourhood Team - NIF - "The Den"	738	-	-	-	738
Small Grants	1,070	5,280	(6,280)	(10)	60
<b>Nursery</b>					
Hate Crime	88	-	(88)	-	-
Nursery Fees & Contributions	-	2,084	(2,084)	-	-
Out of School Club	-	2,890	(2,680)	-	-
Welfare	-	1,245	(1,385)	140	-
	<u>18,358</u>	<u>416,158</u>	<u>(398,806)</u>	<u>140</u>	<u>38,957</u>

## NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

18 cont ...

	At 1st April 2022	Incoming Resources	Expenditure	Transfers	At 31st March 2023
	£	£	£	£	£
<i>Restructured Funds from previous page</i>	18,358	416,159	(358,600)	140	38,057
<b>Capital Funds</b>					
Veolia	33,187	1,173	(2,718)		31,642
Wates	11,819	-	(909)		10,910
MCC- 8 Mer Regeneration	7,095	-	(845)		6,550
Early Years - Playground	14,516	-	(1,123)		13,393
Southway Donation in Kind	3,298	-	(463)		2,835
Opens	366	-	(122)		243
NIF - The Den	347	-	(173)		174
NIF - TV	-	3,116	(742)		2,374
Young Manchester	-	2,000	(850)		1,150
	<u>70,525</u>	<u>6,289</u>	<u>(7,648)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>69,266</u>
	<u>88,883</u>	<u>422,448</u>	<u>(404,245)</u>	<u>140</u>	<u>107,326</u>
<b>Analysis of Movement in Unrestricted Funds:</b>					
Designated Capital	4,476		(1,335)	(7)	3,133
Designated Funds					
Good Things Foundation - Learning Hub	3,587	2,000	(848)	-	4,741
Big Life - Learning Hub	<u>1,446</u>	<u>7,500</u>	<u>(7,500)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,446</u>
	9,508	9,500	(9,681)	(7)	9,320
General Funds	<u>107,166</u>	<u>89,227</u>	<u>(92,716)</u>	<u>(133)</u>	<u>103,536</u>
Total Unrestricted Funds	<u>116,666</u>	<u>98,727</u>	<u>(102,397)</u>	<u>(140)</u>	<u>112,856</u>
Total Funds	<u>205,649</u>	<u>521,175</u>	<u>(506,642)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>220,182</u>

**Third Party Grants**

BMCA received third party grants of 2,000 during the year. As BMCA were merely acting as a conduit for these funds and not accountable for them, the figures have not been reflected in Income or expenditure.

Other grants administered for third parties are shown on the previous page.

At 31st March 2023 BMCA held £4,172 on behalf of other groups.

## NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

16 (cont...) Previous Year

	At 1st April 2021	Incoming Resources	Expenditure	Transfers	At 31st March 2022
	£	£	£	£	£
<b>ANALYSIS OF CHARITABLE FUNDS</b>					
<i>Analysis of Movement in Restricted Funds</i>					
<b>Centre</b>					
Our Manchester VCS	-	58,051	(58,051)	-	-
We Love Mcr	-	2,000	(2,000)	-	-
Mersayfest	-	3,014	(2,706)	-	308
Donation in Kind - premises costs	-	3,800	(3,800)	-	-
NIF - Christmas	790	-	(194)	-	596
NIF - Cooker	-	1,848	(1,548)	-	-
Beautiful South	-	4,000	(3,718)	-	281
NHS Manchester CCG - Flu Vaccine	-	3,449	(3,449)	-	-
High Sheriff	-	500	(500)	-	-
Small Grants	-	100	(100)	-	-
<b>Learning Hub</b>					
Southways - Learning Hub	-	19,992	(19,992)	-	-
MCC - Work Club	-	7,500	(7,500)	-	-
Donations - Tyson Construction	-	2,500	(2,500)	-	-
<b>Young People &amp; Playschemes</b>					
Social Action	-	2,000	(1,946)	-	54
HAF	-	23,783	(23,783)	-	-
Thrive	712	-	(515)	-	197
Young Manchester	827	66,129	(66,988)	-	-
Young Manchester - Science	291	-	(291)	-	-
Young Manchester Adventure Fund	-	2,482	(2,492)	-	-
B&A Science Grant	-	600	(388)	-	104
Sport England	1,954	4,606	(3,016)	-	3,444
Southway - Summer Activities	-	600	(222)	-	678
The Cooperative - Youth Activities	3	-	-	-	3
MCC Special Education Needs - NIF	3	-	(3)	-	-
MCC - Hate Crime	-	1,250	(1,215)	-	36
CYP	6,980	1,205	(6,208)	-	1,977
We Love Mcr (CYP)	-	5,000	(5,000)	-	-
Young Manchester - Playscheme	984	11,094	(12,068)	-	-
Playscheme Donations & Other Income	714	-	(714)	-	-
<b>Older People &amp; Wellbeing</b>					
MCC Ling Well Fund	-	20,637	(20,637)	-	-
MCC Mcr Wellbeing Fund	500	1,509	(1,498)	-	511
Illuminate	-	4,687	(4,687)	-	-
NHS Manchester CCG	-	4,233	(3,238)	-	997
Greater Manchester Mental Health - Wellbeing	-	1,000	(1,000)	-	-
MCC- Hate Crime	47	500	(500)	-	47
Southway - Winter Warmer	567	1,000	(1,200)	-	367
Southway - Uniforms	161	-	(168)	-	2
Southway - Music for Mindfulness	1,540	-	-	-	1,540
MCC - Time 4U	726	-	(404)	-	322
Over 60's Contributions	2,216	975	(1,205)	-	1,986
Donations	307	2,084	-	-	2,401
MCC - Covid 19	133	5,029	(6,182)	-	-
Opens	-	49,240	(48,627)	-	613
South Neighbourhood Team - NIF - "The Den"	1,287	-	(212)	(347)	738
Small Grants	-	2,390	(1,320)	-	1,070
<b>Nursery</b>					
Hate Crime	88	750	(750)	-	88
Nursery Fees & Contributions	3	678	(681)	-	-
Out of School Club	281	3,352	(3,633)	-	-
Science Grant	-	500	(500)	-	-
Wellfare	-	330	(330)	-	-
	<b>21,103</b>	<b>327,417</b>	<b>(328,815)</b>	<b>(347)</b>	<b>18,358</b>

## NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

16 cont ...	At 1st April 2021	Incoming Resources	Expenditure	Transfers	At 31st March 2022
	£	£	£	£	£
<i>Restricted Funds from previous page</i>	21,103	327,417	(320,816)	(347)	18,358
<b>Capital Funds</b>					
Vadla	28,498	22,287	(17,895)		33,187
Wates	12,728	-	(908)		11,819
MCC- 8 Mtr Regeneration	7,640	-	(545)		7,095
Early Years - Playground	15,639	-	(1,123)		14,516
Southway Donation In Kind	3,759	-	(463)		3,296
Opens	488	-	(121)		368
NIF - The Den	-	-	-	347	347
Reaching Communities	307	-	(307)		-
Nursery Capital (Co-op & Ford Britain)	900	-	(900)		-
<b>Total Unrestricted Funds</b>	<b>69,954</b>	<b>22,287</b>	<b>(21,983)</b>	<b>347</b>	<b>70,625</b>
<b>Total Funds</b>	<b>91,057</b>	<b>349,704</b>	<b>(381,775)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>88,933</b>
<b>Analysis of Movement in Unrestricted Funds:</b>					
Designated Capital	4,228		(880)	1,109	4,475
Designated Funds					
Good Things Foundation - Learning Hub	1,862	5,221	(3,496)	-	3,587
Big Life - Learning Hub	10,000	10,000	(18,554)	-	1,446
	16,088	16,221	(22,010)	1,109	9,508
General Funds	154,931	78,617	(125,281)	(1,109)	107,158
<b>Total Unrestricted Funds</b>	<b>171,019</b>	<b>93,838</b>	<b>(148,191)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>116,666</b>
<b>Total Funds</b>	<b>262,076</b>	<b>443,542</b>	<b>(498,969)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>208,649</b>

## 17 ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS BETWEEN FUNDS

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2023
	£	£	£
Tangible Fixed Assets	3,133	75,864	79,017
Net Current Assets	109,723	31,442	141,165
	<b>112,856</b>	<b>107,306</b>	<b>220,162</b>
Previous Year			
	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2022
	£	£	£
Tangible Fixed Assets	4,475	70,625	75,100
Net Current Assets	112,191	16,368	130,549
	<b>116,666</b>	<b>88,993</b>	<b>205,649</b>

## 18 FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

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

## 19 GOING CONCERN

The company's main source of income is grant funding and rental income. The trustees consider that it is appropriate to prepare the accounts on a going concern basis and, consequently, the accounts do not include any adjustments that would be necessary if the funding income should cease. With regard to the securing of income for 2023/24 and the continuing support of funders trustees are confident that the Centre remains a going concern.

## 20 POST BALANCE SHEET EVENTS

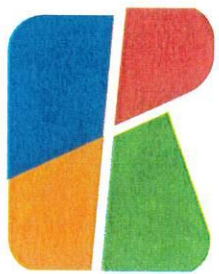
The trustees consider that there are no significant post balance sheet events that impact on the financial statements as presented.

## 21 CONTROL OF THE COMPANY

Control of the company lies with the volunteer trustees named on Page 1.

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We are a  
**Living Wage**  
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COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

# IMPACT REPORT 2022-2023



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# BMCA CHAIR'S REPORT



It is with great pleasure and pride that I introduce the Barlow Moor Community Association Impact Report for 2022/2023.

It has been another challenging but exciting and successful year and it's uplifting to read this report and hear about the amazing things BMCA has done and the real difference our services and support have made to people.

During 2022/23 we have faced a new challenge in the cost-of-living crisis which has had such a detrimental impact on our service users, local residents and on the Voluntary and Community Sector.

Staff at BMCA immediately stepped up and in June 2022 set up the local Cost of Living Partnership – a trail blazer for the city. It brought together schools, foodbanks, housing, health services, councillors and council officers to work together and plan ways of meeting the challenges facing residents. I'm really proud of this work and it has cemented BMCA as a key provider and partner locally and across the city and most importantly supported many people struggling with increased costs.

Another highlight of 2022 was Merseyfest (it's always my favourite)! Bigger and better and more vibrant than ever. Hundreds of local residents attended to enjoy each other's company, music, and food and a wide range of activities and fun on the playing fields. We enjoyed some lovely

get-togethers and playing out days to celebrate the Diamond Jubilee during the summer and our brilliant Christmas festivities were popular as always!

BMCA's day-to-day support for local people is second to none; well-being support, benefit advice, helping people get back into work and achieve qualifications can have a huge impact.

We know that children and young people suffered greatly during the Covid pandemic and missed out on many opportunities. BMCA was a constant source of support throughout that time and continues to play its role in providing many opportunities for local children to have new experiences, make friends and grow in confidence.

All of these activities and events at the centre would not be possible without our fantastic volunteers who help to staff them. We genuinely appreciate their time and input. A small group of volunteers were able to attend a thank you afternoon tea with

the Lord Mayor of Manchester arranged by local councillors. BMCA also holds an annual event to say Thank You.

Barlow Moor Community Association continues to gain respect for its work around the city and we always welcome the chance to work collaboratively with other organisations to improve the quality of life, aspirations, life chances and enjoyment of our local resident – they are at the forefront of everything we do.

A final thank you to the brilliant, talented and dedicated staff team at BMCA, our hard working Board and all our funders and partners without whom we would not be able to do the things we do. And to all our service users who make BMCA the fantastic community-focused, vibrant and welcoming place that it is.

**Councillor  
Joanna Midgley  
Chair of BMCA**

# VOLUNTEERS

2021-2022 COMMUNITY IMPACT REPORT

Volunteering allows us to make the most of community strengths, resulting not only in better provision, but in a more confident, skilled and empowered community. Exercising skills, knowledge and interests through volunteering leads to a massive boost in confidence, self esteem, and general wellbeing, providing the motivation to pursue aspirations. We often find that people who come to BMCA to volunteer also access our other services such as wellbeing provision and complete qualifications in our learning hub. This shows how volunteering can be the start of a positive cycle of change, helping people to integrate in their community, make new friends, and undergo massive personal development. Volunteers who leave us with new found skills, qualifications and confidence are in a much better position to navigate future life difficulties, and this can prevent issues such as poverty, poor mental health, and social isolation escalating for them in the future.

  
**95**  
ACTIVE  
VOLUNTEERS  
*79 plus 7 Board  
members*

  
**19**  
YOUNG  
VOLUNTEERS

  
**4459.5**  
VOLUNTEER  
HOURS

  
**£61,095.15**  
SOCIAL VALUE

'I began volunteering at the centre initially to gain some confidence for returning to work after having time off to care for my child and ill partner. I quickly found it to be way more rewarding than I ever expected it to be. It did give me a confidence boost, but it also gave me a sense of purpose. I found the work to be very fulfilling. It felt really good to be involved in something that makes a real difference to people in the community and it definitely helped me focus on where my strengths lie, and which direction I would like to take my working life. You can feel the sense of community here. I've met some really lovely people, and the staff here are really warm, friendly and supportive. They immediately make you feel part of the team and help you in any way they can. My social skills and self esteem have definitely grown as a result

of being here, and it has all helped me gain the confidence to apply for jobs, be successful in interviews and find work. After being unemployed for 7 years it really strengthened my interviews to say I had been volunteering. This makes a massive difference to employers. I've gained valuable experience and it also provided me with references that prospective employers require you to have to start work with them, so that's all been very helpful for getting back out into work. I've now been taken on by 3 different recruitment agencies. I've made some really positive connections with the community and I will feel really sad when the time comes to leave. I am very grateful for my time at the centre and I would recommend the experience to anyone.'

*"Thank you so much for such an amazing experience, and being so friendly, kind and welcoming. I have a lot of respect for everything you do for the community. You are all incredible people who are such an inspiration to the world.*

*P.S. I'd like to confirm that what you say is true... I don't want to leave! Thank you for everything!"*

# VOLUNTEER JOURNEY

After a long period of unemployment due to a redundancy and health issues, H first came to BMCA for an appointment with BeWell. They had been feeling isolated and wanted to get back out in the community and engage with the activities they enjoy art, socialising and being active. They liked the atmosphere of the community centre so enquired about volunteering opportunities, and started working in the library 2 hours a week.

They found that being at the centre really gave them a boost it felt good to have a purpose, and be in an environment where they could meet new people, chat with and help library users. With the encouragement of staff, they accessed several courses such as Food Hygiene, Introduction to Volunteering, and Defibrillator Training. They really enjoyed having the opportunity to learn something new, and gain life skills- being mentally active again led to a boost in self esteem and overall wellbeing.

They decided to take on additional volunteering in Men's Den. As a very social person this was a perfect fit, so it was rewarding to be able to meet new people and see how these groups improve peoples quality of life. As they made more connections in the community, they started to engage with more activities as a service user, attending yoga, craft group and self defence classes. Being disabled, they saw huge benefits to their physical health from being more active, as well a boost in mental health from being

less isolated. They were now attending the community centre 3 days a week, and joked that they may as well live here! During a volunteer meeting, they expressed that they would love to lead on a more creative project with BMCA. Working with the volunteer coordinator, they decided on making a banner for the Queens Jubilee with the young people in Senior Youth, that could be displayed at BMCA events throughout the summer. The banner was beautifully designed and painted, and received many compliments at Merseyfest!

When a vacancy came up at BMCA, H was immediately excited as it seemed like the perfect role for them. They applied for the job, quickly secured an interview and started work the next week! Since working here they have not only built on and contributed to peoples positive experiences at the community centre, but have further developed our provision to offer new sessions in line with what people have asked for. This ensures we are adapting to the changing needs of



our community, and makes H's job more rewarding and enjoyable- H can often be heard saying 'I have the best job in the world!'.

## IMPACT

- Gained full time employment
- Developed skills and knowledge
- Increased self-esteem and confidence
- Social interaction
- New friends
- Own sense of achievement
- A valued member of the volunteer team
- Improved mental health & wellbeing

# SOCIAL ACTION

## UPCYCLING EVENT

**In April our 'Upcycle' event returned for a second year, with the local community coming to BMCA to enjoy a car boot sale, preloved sale, a maker's market, food and playing out.**

In the weeks before we collected plastic bottles and cardboard tubes so that 2 of our volunteers could run a sustainability focused workshop making musical instruments, showing us that we can make household waste into something new and fun! The food was prepared by our senior youth in partnership with Groundwork, cooking a delicious jack-fruit curry to end a 6 week course around low carbon footprint meals. This event was a great way for us to see low carbon solutions that are also enjoyable, practical and low cost, all while bringing the community together to reduce social isolation and loneliness.



## VACCINE CHAMPIONS PROJECT

**Last December, our volunteers braved the cold to spread the word about the winter COVID vaccination programme, after attending a training session with NHS nurses.**

This resulted in an amazing 60 vaccines being delivered in the local area, including a local house-bound patient. Thanks to their efforts we have a better protected and informed community!

*'I didn't find it challenging as the training taught me only to do what I am comfortable with.'*



## GREAT BRITISH SPRING CLEAN

**This March, BMCA pledged to help #KeepBritainTidy, a national campaign to get our streets and green spaces free from litter.**

Adult volunteers teamed up with our nursery children for a morning of intergenerational community action, developing our children's awareness of how important it is to look after the environment in our local area and beyond. Since then we have started a BMCA Social Action Group, who work together to identify important issues that affect them and the wider community, and work on solutions that improve residents overall quality of life.

## DIVERSITY DAY

**In October we delivered a 'Diversity Day' to celebrate Black History Month.**

The youth team held a playing out day, and a local volunteer cooked a delicious Jamaican inspired meal; jerk chicken, rice and peas, coleslaw and a bean stew. Recipe sheets were available for people to recreate this meal at home. In this weeks 'Music for Mind-fulness', our music volunteer planned and delivered a themed session focusing on Motown music and its connection to the civil rights movement. This day of intergenerational socialising was a great way to celebrate diversity in our community.

## MANCHESTER DAY PARADE

This year it was extra important for our young people to take part in the Manchester Day Parade as the theme "Our Year"; chosen to honour all things Mancunian was a salute to Manchester's young people and children and how they make Manchester one of the most iconic cities.

Our group of young people worked closely with an artist during sessions, planning and coming up with ideas based around the theme "home sweet home". Within this theme we were to think about what home means to us and come up with ideas to celebrate our community. The young people worked together to create and design large hands to showcase at the parade. The hands represented the helping hands of our community and were decorated with hearts to show the love we have for one another.



## MEROS WORLD BLEED CABINET EVENT: Where we unveiled our newly installed 'Bleed Cabinet' in collaboration with the Meros World foundation.

The bleed cabinet is a lifesaving piece of equipment for knife crime related emergencies and this event not only announced its installation, but it raised money for a charitable cause and helped us raise awareness on the issue of knife crime and furthers the work the young people have done around knife crime with 'fighting chance communities'.

# POSITIVE CHANGE

## HOUSING CASE STUDY

**Person A was referred to BMCA Adult Services internally for support.**

Over the past couple of years, we have supported this individual by applying for Universal Credit, updating their Manchester Move application and ensuring they are able to apply for social housing. Through this support the individual has not only been receiving benefits on a regular basis to be able to provide for their family but has been accepted and in the process of moving into their own house. The impact this has had on the individual has enabled them to have their own safe space, independence and a place to call home.

Person A said *'Thank you so much for the help you have given me, I am so glad I have now got my own house.'*

## COMMUNITY TRAINING WITH EXTERNAL PARTNERS

**Working with external partners we have been able to provide basic first aid courses to both children and adults, also defib training for our volunteers and local community.**

These sessions have provided the community with life skills which has developed confidence and encouraged interaction and teamwork for those who accessed.

After receiving feedback from our volunteers, we have sourced training around manual handling. We have also continued to offer our range of accredited courses flexibly to meet the needs of local people.



## WELLBEING/CRISIS SUPPORT CASE STUDY

**Person B attended BMCA to use the library after wanting to access the computers. They had recently been discharged from mental health services, left with no food, unsuitable housing furniture/white goods and no money.**

Through an informal conversation with this service user in the library it became apparent that this individual needed a lot of support in different areas; food, housing and mental health.

BMCA worked with this individual on a one-to-one basis providing food parcels, exploring their benefit eligibility and supporting them to make the appropriate benefit claims. As part of their first initial advice and guidance appointment we discussed the wider work of the centre and sessions that may be of interest to them. Through this the individual began to access our Men's Den and Let's Cook project. Alongside this we have been able to up-skill the individual to speak to the housing provider to secure a permanent tenancy with his property. This individual has seen a massive improvement in their mental and physical wellbeing through accessing services on a daily basis and now have improved communication skills, confidence and self-esteem to face their daily challenges themselves while coming to BMCA for additional support.



Service user C says *"From realising I had serious issues regarding money, housing, food and loneliness, BMCA picked me up and gave me the support I needed meaning that I am still here today,"* he said.

*He now accesses BMCA four times a week and supports the Music for Mindfulness group every Friday, 'helping people like BMCA helped me'. "BMCA is probably the one and only place that really understand the word community, they embrace lives and create relationships and friendships. Providing support from simply being fed, to developing skills and creating confidence.*

*"Every person who turns up walks out 100% more confident and independent knowing they are cared for and come back time and time again."*

## KICK START PROGRAMME

**In partnership with Southway Housing, we were able to offer a six-month work placement to two young people through the kick start programme.**

This was a huge success as they both quickly fitted into the centre and brought with them unique skills and knowledge. After the six-month programme we were able to offer them both roles within the adult services team. Elena and Elle have made a huge difference to the services that we provide and support so many local people.

## DIGITAL INCLUSION

**Continuing to work with our service users to ensure that they have the resources and skills to become more digitally included.**

By providing resources such as mobile phones, tablets and SIM cards which offer free calls and data through Vodafone.

Our digital programmes have included working with service users to gain access to NHS services in a safe and secure way.

Our online courses continue to be popular and as well as assisting people to gain employment it also increases confidence in using digital resources.

## Training and developing our centre volunteers to enable them to support delivery with events and provision within the centre.

Service user A first came into the centre to enquire about volunteering, they were new to the area after coming from overseas with their partner's job. When talking to the staff they discussed that they were currently studying to take the English tests and found that they were struggling particularly with their spoken English. We suggested to them that they attend our English conversation café to develop this area.

They regularly attended the session at first as a participant but soon as a volunteer. They also became a regular volunteer in the library and joined in with the gardening project, making friends with other volunteers and service users.

Their own children also attended the centre using the library, joining the junior youth sessions and attending regularly during the summer play scheme. The whole family came along and enjoyed our yearly trip to Llandudno.

Service user A successfully passed the English test, their confidence grew along with the involvement in the centre. As they were keen to gain employment, they undertook a number of courses including Food safety, volunteering and a customer service course. They received one-to-one employability support with a CV and cover letter.

We were able to signpost service user A to a local recruitment fair as they had a particular interest in employment in the health and

social care sector. When they returned to the centre they shared the information they had and made a decision to apply to become a volunteer with the NHS as a way to improve their skills and knowledge, hopefully being able to apply for a role within this organisation further down the line.

Working together we supported service user A with the online application form, the interview and when offered the volunteer role the completion of a number of online course.

Service user A has started their volunteer role within the NHS and continues to volunteer here at BMCA in the library and community events, as a fantastic volunteer they are known by all for their welcoming manner, pleasant personality and time for everyone.

### IMPACT

Gained in confidence in own ability  
Spoken English has increased  
Purpose and routine for each day  
Made new friends, for self and family  
Achieved qualifications  
Feels valued  
Has become part of the community

We continue to work with Service User A, looking and applying for suitable roles within the NHS. Following a recent successful application Service User A has been invited to interview (exciting news) in preparation we have recently supported with interview preparation and mock interview skills.

# VIBRANT COMMUNITIES

## THE DEN

**The Den our Community Café has opened two days a week providing low cost meals for individuals in the community serving a range of different breakfast items and drinks.**

The Den has been well utilised and has enabled BMCA to engage with the wider community outside of the centre.

Feedback from this provision has included, *'It is so lovely to see The Den back open as its been shut for so long and nice to get a hot breakfast.'*

The café has been supported by volunteers alongside our Community Cook since its opening. This has allowed many people from the local community and beyond to gain skills, experience and qualifications, as well as getting their social wellbeing needs met through engaging with new people and increasing community cohesion.

## MUSIC

**At the request of our service users, we have brought back our 'Music for Mindfulness' session, which aims to be a calming space where people can informally learn guitar, keyboard, drums or just come to relax.**

This session is supported by a volunteer who is studying at Royal Northern College of Music, and aspires to be a music therapist. She has had a really positive influence on the session, as the free guitar lessons she offers makes the session accessible to complete beginners. On a few occasions she has led various themed sessions, but on the whole finds that the group works best when the session can take shape according to the mood of the day. This also gives other service users the opportunity to offer peer support to each other, making the session a really nice co-learning space. This session provides a valuable opportunity to decrease social isolation, and boost self esteem and confidence by accessing a new skill. Through community consultation, we have identified that some of our service users would really benefit from a community choir being facilitated here. This is something we are looking to explore as a possibility for next year, dependent on interest.

## TEA DANCE

**As part of Loneliness Awareness Week and the Queen's Jubilee celebrations we held a Queens Jubilee Tea Dance.**

With 40 older people in attendance, the group enjoyed afternoon tea, live entertainment and ice cream. The group enjoyed the afternoon with them singing and dancing along to the music and enjoying a cold ice cream on a hot day.

Feedback from the event included, *'Thank you so much for a lovely afternoon, with entertainment, afternoon tea and ice cream, it was wonderful.'*

## THEATRE TRIP

In November we took 19 older people to see Neil Sands Christmas Memories at Stockport plaza, an afternoon filled with singing their favourite Christmas songs and getting into the Christmas Spirit. Our older people really enjoyed it.

Feedback included, *'Thank you so much, I've had a wonderful afternoon and so did my sister who's first time it was.'*

  
**SANTA'S  
FIRST STOP  
OVER 250**

  
**345 PEOPLE  
ATTENDED COMMUNITY  
LUNCHES**

  
**880  
ATTENDING  
MERSEYFEST**

  
**18  
JOINED US FOR  
CHRISTMAS DAY**

  
**96 ATTENDING  
EXTERNAL TRIP**

  
**151  
STAYED  
CONNECTED**



## TAI CHI

**Since November 2022 we have had the pleasure of weekly Tai Chi classes by our skilled teacher Edna, who volunteers her time to share this practice with members of our community.**

Our service users have praised how relaxing and enjoyable the classes are, and how refreshing it is to try something new. As this activity combines stretching and movement with breathing, relaxation and meditation, it provides both physical and mental health benefits and boosts overall wellbeing. As the class can be taken either seated or standing, it has been great to see people of all ages and mobility levels taking part!

## WREATH MAKING

**In December our service users really enjoyed getting creative during our wreath making sessions; having something festive to decorate their home with brings a sense of achievement.**

As all of the materials were foraged locally by our Walk and Talk group, this low carbon craft shows us that we can be creative using the resources around us without the need to create waste, or buy expensive products.





## WALK AND TALK

**Our 'Walk and Talk' group have taken ownership of raised beds in the community garden in Chorlton Water Park, planting seeds and bulbs to improve the green area for local residents, and also encourage diversity of wildlife.**

These walks continue to have a positive impact on the attendees' physical and mental health by encouraging them to exercise, socialise, connect with nature and their local community, and have a sense of routine.

Service user A first came into the Centre for the 'Digital Drop In' session that we run on Monday mornings as they were referred by Southway Housing.

At the start, they needed help with writing up a CV, as they knew that they wanted to work with animals. They came in to see me every week so that they could have a go at writing their CV on their own but with extra support from me if needed.

To give extra help, I signed Service user A up for 'Indeed' so that they could have a look at available jobs that they may be interested in. They found a job advertised for 'Harrison's Family Vets' but unfortunately didn't feel that they would like the role so instead, looked for volunteering roles at places that would allow them to spend time with the animals.

A week later, I received the following email from them.

*"Hi Elle had a great time at the dog home I got to walk 3 dogs it's amazing going back a week on Monday hope your well and thanks again for helping me find it I found it ok it only took me less than an hour to get there take care will see you soon x"*

After some time, Service user A had let me know that they are interested in volunteering at 'Manchester Dogs Home', which is when I helped them fill in an application form. After about three weeks from applying, Service user A informed me that they have been invited to do their first day of volunteering. I was then able to help them find a suitable route and transport to get to the Dogs Home.

I also received an email from Southway:

*"Hi Elle,*

*I hope you are well.*

*Just to let you know, if you don't already, Service user A has started volunteering at Manchester Dog's home and they are over the moon! They are still doing their regular job at the Co op but we are keeping our fingers crossed that the volunteer work will eventually lead to some paid employment. As you know, working with animals has always been their passion. They are managing to do this now every Monday when they are free from work or home commitments.*

*Thank you very much for all the help you have given them at BMCA and for taking the time to go above and beyond by helping them to complete the online application for Manchester Dog's Home. You are doing an amazing job !*

*Kind regards"*

# COST OF LIVING PARTNERSHIP

## FOOD PROVISION

**As we work through the current cost of living crisis we have seen an increase in demand for our food poverty support including: food parcels, lunches, breakfasts, Lets Cook and introducing a new Slow Cooker course.**

Our complimentary lunches run four days per week and on average see 36 attendees enjoying a hot two course meal. The impact this provision has on the local people enables the community to come together to help reduce loneliness and isolation, increase self-esteem and improve communication.

### Slow Cooker Course

During the course, users learn how to use a slow cooker to make easy and cost effective meals by using a different recipe each week, meaning they have food to take home, and are given a slow cooker at the end. Giving people the knowledge and confidence to cook their own meals with an energy efficient appliance is empowering for people and reduces their reliance on expensive alternatives (ready meals, takeaways). This not only helps them eat a healthy and balanced diet, improving their

overall wellbeing, but reduces the financial impact of the cost of living.



*Feedback: 'Can I just say thanks ever so much for lunch today it was brilliant, thanks David for cooking it, and to everyone else that work in BMCA thanks for your support and advice over the past year, big hugs very much appreciated.'*

## SCHOOL UNIFORM PROJECT

Over the summer working with our Charity shop and a local resident we have been able to support access to school uniform, providing a uniform swap shop as well as accessing funding to provide specific items such as high school blazers.

*Feedback: 'Thank you so much for the uniform, I just didn't know what I was going to do, I just couldn't afford the cost of the high school uniform.'*





In response to the Cost of Living crisis BMCA have initiated a Cost of Living partnership meeting for partners to attend from the Chorlton, Chorlton Park and Burnage areas. During our initial meetings we have so far established the following:

## HOUSEHOLD SUPPORT FUND

69 individuals accessed either £50 or £160 for pension households with a total value of £5210 distributed.

## HIGHER ENERGY BILLS

Groundwork Green Doctors delivered an energy information talk to help reduce energy waste.

## INFORMATION LEAFLETS

BMCA and partners have produced a Cost-of-Living leaflet which has been distributed to 5000 houses on the Merseybank and Arrowfield estates and surrounding areas to inform local people about what support is available.

## WINTER WARMER PACKS

We have produced 200 Winter Warmer packs for families to help keep them warm during the colder months.

## ANTI-POVERTY STRATEGY

A localised meaningful Anti-poverty strategy has been produced for the neighbourhood in partnership with Manchester City Council.

  
**552**  
 FOOD PARCELS

  
**£5210**  
 HOUSEHOLD SUPPORT  
 FUND ISSUED

  
**32** FAMILIES PROVIDED  
 WITH SCHOOL UNIFORM

  
**76** £50 ALDI  
 VOUCHERS ISSUED

  
**320** FOOD BANK  
 VOUCHERS

  
**WINTER WARMER**  
**173** PACKS DISTRIBUTED

  
**45** CHRISTMAS DINNER  
 IN A BAG

  
**111** FAMILIES SUPPORTED  
 WITH CHRISTMAS TOYS

# Worried about increasing costs?

Partners across Chorlton, Chorlton Park & Didsbury are here to help



Email: Rachel@barlowmoor.co.uk Website: www.bmcaid.co.uk  
 Telephone: 0161 446 4805 WhatsApp: 07750 197 235

- Benefit Support including Benefit Checks and Form Completion
- Housing Support
- Information, Advice & Guidance
- Crisis Support
- Health & Wellbeing sessions
- Digital Support
- Food Parcels
- School Uniform Support
- School Holiday provision



Every other Wednesday at 10am - to book an appointment call  
 Sure Start 0161 245 7013 | Barlow Hall Primary 0161 881 2158

- Welfare Rights Advice
- Income maximisation
- Benefit Queries
- Housing Benefit Enquiries
- Council Tax Support
- Form Completion
- Support with Appeals



Provision of a 3 day food parcel

You will need a voucher code which can be accessed from your local Housing Association, School, GP or Community Centre. Alternatively call the free National Helpline on 0800 208 2138.

Once you have your voucher code take it along to:

Christ Church, West Oldsbury, M20 2ZD, from 11am - 12.30pm WEDNESDAYS  
 St Barnabas Church, Chorlton, M21 8DH, from 12.30pm - 2pm FRIDAYS

Further Support

Additional support can be accessed through a referral from your local School, Community Centre or Housing Provider

- Toiletries
- Toddler Essentials
- Toy Libraries
- Gardening Sessions
- Food parcels
- Debt Advice/Support
- School Uniform
- Newborn and baby essentials

Alternatively you can complete a self referral for the following:  
 This Bread and Butter Thing - £7.50 for £35 worth of shopping  
[www.breadandbutterthings.org](http://www.breadandbutterthings.org)

Community Grocery: 0161 946 9494  
 £5 annual membership then £3 per shop  
[www.communitygrocery.org.uk](http://www.communitygrocery.org.uk)



If you are a Southway tenant you can access a lot of the help mentioned directly from them. Visit their website, email [connect@southwayhousing.co.uk](mailto:connect@southwayhousing.co.uk) or call 0161 448 4200.

*"The BMCA cost of living group has inspired us with a fantastic example of what grassroots led coordination at a neighbourhood level looks like and we want to help others learn from this and strengthen and empower these kind of connections."*

*"Great connections and conversations with other stake-holders".*

*"Initially worried about the sheer scope of need, then energised by the amount of support already available across the ward and the fact people are showing up to these meetings to work more collaboratively."*

*"Helped improve our thinking around what grassroots leadership and coordination looks like".*

# PARTNERSHIP WORK

Our community Cost Of Living Crisis meetings organised by Barlow Moor Community Centre have honestly been the best and most useful meetings I have attended in years! It has been invaluable getting everyone in a room together to share ideas and ensure we can offer a wrap around service to our clients at this crucial time.



*'I just wanted to pass on some excellent feedback on BMCA from XXX, who I have been working with on Be Well and has been attending recently. It sounds like he has become a regular in the centre, attending 4 days a week! He says he has been to feel incredibly welcome and thoroughly enjoying everything he has been doing. Attending has really improved all areas of his health - with the knock on affect that he is reporting that his sleep is better and doesn't feel the need for other services in relation to his health!'*

# FINAL THOUGHTS

## CEO Statement

It's a delight to share our annual impact report and a real honour to be in the position as CEO of such an amazing organisation, based at the heart of an area with real sense of community spirit. The last year has gone in the blink of an eye, it seems like only yesterday Toni and I were preparing the 2021/22 impact report and our first CEO statement; but what a year it has been. Writing these reports provides a real opportunity to sit and reflect on BMCA's achievements in what has been a very busy year with many highs but also the inevitable lows.

You will have seen from our report that there are many highlights including our work with the Meros World Foundation, community social action activities, #KeepBritainTidy and the further development of our Music Group which has just come on leaps and bounds this year. We have celebrated joyous occasions such as our annual Merseyfest where we embraced the jubilee with a series of themed events and activities and enjoyed community playing out days and annual events. However, we also joined the nation to mourn the passing of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II, worked together as a community to build

back following the pandemic and stood together to face the significant challenges brought on by the cost-of-living crisis.

BMCA have, over the past 12 months, strived to reduce the negative impact on people, working in partnership with others to ensure the best possible outcomes for those in our community. The strengths of our partnerships and the positive impact of collaborative efforts has brought about positive change, it is clear to see this approach has been successful and a real strength of BMCA's when initiating and leading on this work. This reinforces our commitment and together with our partners, we will strive to ensure that every member of our community has access to the support they need to lead happy and healthy lives.

Despite these challenges we, as a community, have not wavered; the strength, resilience and community spirit of local people has empowered them to take action and enhance community cohesion, these achievements are the result of a collective effort from our dedicated board, staff, volunteers, and the support of our community and partners. Together, we have shown what can be accomplished when a community comes together with a shared vision and determination.

Our work is far from complete, as we move into the final year of our current business plan 2020 – 2023 we can confidently say that we have met and exceeded many of our goals. Our programs have positively impacted our community in ways we could only have dreamed of when we began this journey.

As we begin to plan for the next phase of growth and development, we are in the process of diligently consulting with key stakeholders and partners, 2029 seems an awful long time away, but that's what Toni and I thought when producing the 2020 – 2023 plan and that has just flown by! The new plan will build upon our past successes and set even more ambitious goals for the future. We are excited about the opportunities that lie ahead and are dedicated to continuing our mission of improving the quality of life for all members of our community.

Finally, we would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone who makes BMCA's mission possible, and I look forward to what we will achieve together in the years ahead.

A service user once called BMCA "the flagship of the community", and we will strive to continue to be.

### Best wishes

Becky & Toni



SHORTLISTED  
FINALIST

**'Be Proud' Award in  
the category**

**'Helping to tackle poverty'**



**208 Children and  
Young People**



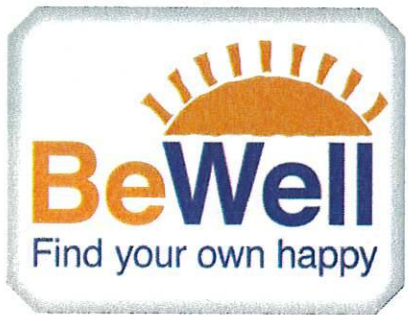
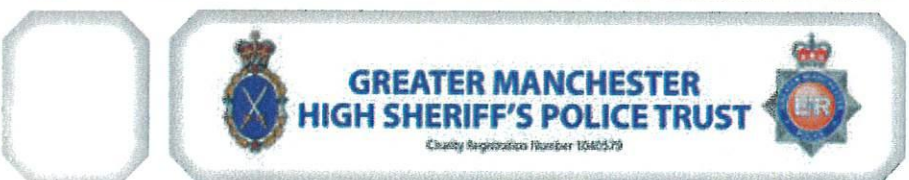
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# OUR YEAR





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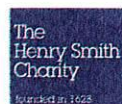
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**BARLOW MOOR COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION LIMITED**

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# Accounts

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**BARLOW MOOR COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION LIMITED**

**REGISTERED COMPANY NUMBER 07476646 (ENGLAND)  
REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER: 1142217**

**FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022**

COMMUNITY ACCOUNTANCY SERVICE LIMITED  
THE GRANGE  
PILGRIM DRIVE  
BESWICK  
MANCHESTER  
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**BARLOW MOOR COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION LIMITED****Report of the trustees for the year ended 31<sup>ST</sup> March 2022**

The trustees present their annual directors' report and financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2022 which are also prepared to meet the requirements for a directors' report and accounts for Companies Act purposes.

The financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the Companies Act 2006, the Memorandum and Articles of Association, and the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019).

**Reference and administrative information**

Charity Name: Barlow Moor Community Association Limited

Charity Number: 1142217

Company No: 07476646

**Directors and trustees**

The directors of the charitable company (the charity) are its trustees for the purpose of charity law.

The trustees and officers serving during the year and since the year end were as follows:

Ms Joanna Midgley (Chair)

Mrs Christine Davis (Treasurer)

Mr Philip Davis (also Company Secretary)

Rev. Anne Pilkington

Mrs Michelle Hodges

Mr Luke Hodges

Ms Helen Sharples (appointed 1<sup>st</sup> September 2021)

**Key Management Personnel: Trustees and Directors**

Ms Joanna Midgley                      Chair of Trustees

**Senior Managers**

Ms Rebecca Elliot, Ms Toni Toner

Miss Philomena Sales

**Registered Office**

23 Merseybank Avenue, Manchester, M21 7NT

**Independent Examiners**

Community Accountancy Service Limited

The Grange, Pilgrlm Drive

Beswick, Manchester M11 3TQ

**Bankers**

Cooperative Bank plc, 1 Balloon Street, Manchester, M60 4EP

Epworth Investment Management, 9 Bonhill Street, London, EC2A 4PE

## BARLOW MOOR COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION LIMITED

### Objectives and activities

The purposes of the charity are:

- to promote the benefit of the Inhabitants of Barlow Moor and its environs without distinction of sex, sexual orientation, race or of political, religious or other opinion by associating together the said Inhabitants and the local authorities, voluntary or other organisations in a common effort to advance education,
- to provide facilities in the interests of social welfare for recreation and leisure time occupation with the object of improving the condition of life for the said inhabitants.
- to secure the establishment of a community centre and to maintain and manage the same whether alone or in cooperation with any local authority or other person or body in furtherance of these objects, and
- such other purposes as may be charitable according to the law of England and Wales and to relieve the poverty of the public in England by the provision of free and confidential information about charitable, voluntary, health and public services.

The trustees confirm that they have referred to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit when reviewing the Charity's aims and objectives, in planning future activities, and setting the policies for the year.

The charity furthers its charitable purposes for the public benefit through undertaking community activities.

We provide cradle to the grave services through two services, Children & Young People and Adult Services. This includes a 30 place nursery offering 15 hours care for under 5's per week, a Stay and Play session, Open access play sessions and holiday play schemes.

Our Youth provision offers 2 Intermediate Youth sessions per week for 9 – 14yr olds and 2 Senior Youth sessions per week for the 13+ age group.

Our Older Peoples service runs over 3 days per week, offering exercise classes, arts & crafts, a greetings card social enterprise, social activities, befriending & luncheon club.

Our community learning/library offers a full library service run by volunteers and a twice weekly work club, training courses, advice and information.

"Our People Our Place" project offers Health & Wellbeing project activities throughout the week within the centre and across the wider community, and include seasonal events and supported volunteering opportunities.

We maintain a community centre for use by other groups including Credit Union, Slimming World, mediation services, faith groups, private parties, Residents Association, local regeneration steering group, social housing provider and local authority, councillor surgeries, Food Bank and Narcotics Anonymous.

### Structure, governance and management

Barlow Moor Community Association Limited is a company limited by guarantee governed by its Memorandum and Articles of Association dated 22<sup>nd</sup> December 2010. It is registered as a charity with the Charity Commission (dated 2nd June 2011).

## BARLOW MOOR COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION LIMITED

### **Appointment of trustees**

As set out in the Articles of Association trustees are elected annually by the members of the charitable company attending the Annual General meeting. Each year one third of the trustees shall retire from office by rotation based on the longest standing and offer themselves for re-election.

### **Trustee induction and training**

Trustees are given information about their role and responsibilities on first being appointed. They are also given a copy of the constitution, information about staffing and management, and are shown copies of policy documents.

Once appointed to subgroups they are given further information on funding, systems etc, and are trained in relevant procedures (eg. Bank reconciliation and other Quickbooks procedures for the treasurer).

### **Organisation**

The board of trustees administers the charity. The board normally meets monthly. A Centre Manager is appointed by the trustees to manage the day-to-day operations of the charity.

### **Related parties and co-operation with other organisations**

None of our trustees receive remuneration or other benefit from their work as a trustee with the charity. Any connection between a trustee or senior manager with any service providers must be disclosed to the full board of trustees in the same way as any other contractual relationship with a related party.

### **A review of our achievements and performance**

The main achievements during the year are set out in the Impact Report in the Appendix.

### **Financial review**

The charity had ended the year with income totalling £443,542 (2021 £550,073). Expenditure increased to £499,969 from £456,817 with most of this coming from restricted reserves. This left a deficit of £56,427 (2021 surplus of £93,256). Unrestricted reserves at the year end, were £116,666, down from £171,019 in 2021. The surplus from 2021 helped in supporting the charity through 2021 into 2022 as we tried to re-establish income generating activities after the pandemic restrictions were eased.

### **Investment powers and policy**

The trustees, having regard to the liquidity requirements of operating the charity, have kept available funds in an interest bearing deposit account.

### **Reserves policy and going concern**

The balance held in unrestricted reserves at 31<sup>st</sup> March 2022 was £116,666 of which £112,191 is free reserves, after allowing for funds tied up in tangible fixed assets. The charity has designated just over £11,000 of this to support specific activities. Restricted reserves totalled £88,983 with £70,625 relating to fixed assets (spent) and £18,358 relating to revenue.

The trustees aim to establish and maintain free reserves in unrestricted funds at a level which equates to approximately four months of charitable expenditure (currently £166,000). The trustees

## BARLOW MOOR COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION LIMITED

consider that this level will provide sufficient funds to respond to applications for grants and ensure that support and governance costs are covered. Currently free reserves stand at just under 3 months running costs. Having regard to the 22/23 budget and supplemented by the general funds the trustees consider that the charity is a going concern.

Grants of £312,000 have been confirmed for 2022/23.

### **Risk management**

The trustees have conducted a review of the major risks to which the charity is exposed and systems have been established to mitigate those risks. Where appropriate, systems or procedures have been established to mitigate the risks the charity faces. Procedures are in place to ensure compliance with health and safety of staff, volunteers, young people, other service users and visitors.

### **Trustees responsibilities in relation to the financial statements**

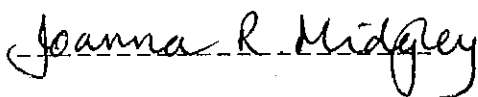
The charity trustees (who are also the directors of Barlow Moor Community Association Limited for the purposes of company law) are responsible for preparing a trustees' annual report and financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

Company law requires the charity trustees to prepare financial statements for each year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure, of the charitable company for that period. In preparing the financial statements, the trustees are required to:

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

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

By order of the board of trustees



Chair Ms Joanna Midgley

Date: 27<sup>th</sup> September 2022

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF BARLOW  
MOOR COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION LIMITED**

I report on the accounts of the company for the Year Ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2022, which are set out on pages 6 to 19.

**Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner**

The trustees (who are also the directors of the company for the purposes of company law) are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed. The charity is required by company law to prepare accrued accounts and I am qualified to undertake the examination by being a qualified member of The Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales.

Having satisfied myself that the charity is not subject to audit under company law and is eligible for independent examination, it is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act ;
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(b) of the 2011 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 the general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair view' and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

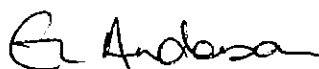
**Independent examiner's statement**

In connection with my examination, except as shown below, 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 386 of the Companies Act 2006; and
  - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records, comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the Companies Act 2006, ; and
  - with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities

have not been met; or

- (2) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



EL Anderson MA FCA CTA  
Community Accountancy Service Ltd  
The Grange, Pilgrim Drive  
Beswick, Manchester, M11 3TQ

Date: 27<sup>th</sup> September 2022

**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022**  
(including Income and expenditure account)

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds 2022 £	Restricted Funds 2022 £	Year Ended 31 March 2022 £	Year Ended 31 March 2021 £
<b>INCOME FROM</b>					
Donations & Legacies	2	500	5,494	5,994	3,517
Donation In Kind		-	3,800	3,800	3,800
Charitable activities	3	79,536	340,210	419,746	535,628
Other Trading Activities	4	13,755	200	13,955	6,629
Investment Income		47	-	47	499
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>		<b>93,838</b>	<b>349,704</b>	<b>443,542</b>	<b>550,073</b>
<b>RESOURCES EXPENDED</b>					
Costs of Raising Funds	6	3,009	-	3,009	6,245
Charitable Activities	6	145,182	351,778	496,960	450,572
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURE</b>		<b>148,191</b>	<b>351,778</b>	<b>499,969</b>	<b>456,817</b>
<b>NET INCOME (EXPENDITURE) &amp; NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS FOR THE YEAR</b>					
Gross Transfer between funds	16	-	-	-	-
<b>RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS</b>					
TOTAL FUNDS BROUGHT FORWARD	16	171,019	91,057	262,076	168,820
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	16	<b>116,666</b>	<b>88,983</b>	<b>205,649</b>	<b>262,076</b>

The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses in the year. All incoming resources and resources expended derive from continuing activities.

The notes on pages 9 to 19 form part of these accounts.

## BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 MARCH 2022

	Notes	2022 £	2021 £
<b>FIXED ASSETS</b>			
Tangible Fixed Assets	10	75,100	74,855
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>			
Debtors	11	18,322	14,179
Cash at Bank and In Hand		<u>193,721</u>	<u>250,598</u>
		212,043	264,777
<b>LIABILITIES:</b>			
Amounts falling due within one year	12	<u>(81,494)</u>	<u>(77,556)</u>
<b>NET CURRENT ASSETS</b>		130,549	187,221
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>		<u>205,649</u>	<u>262,076</u>
<b>THE FUNDS OF THE CHARITY</b>			
Restricted Income Funds	17	88,983	91,057
Unrestricted Income Funds	17	<u>116,666</u>	<u>171,019</u>
<b>TOTAL CHARITY FUNDS</b>		<u>205,649</u>	<u>262,076</u>

For the year in question the company was entitled to the exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

- The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its accounts for the year in question in accordance with section 476.
- The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts.

These accounts have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies' regime.

Approved on behalf of the Company's Board of Trustees:

Trustee	<i>Joanna R. Midgley</i>	Ms Joanna Midgley
Trustee	<i>e. Davis</i>	Mrs Christine Davis

Date: 27th September 2022

## STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31ST MARCH 2022

	2021 £	2020 £
<b>RECONCILIATION OF NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS TO NET CASH FLOW FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES</b>		
Net movement in funds	(56,427)	93,256
Add back depreciation	8,151	7,758
Deduct Investment income	(47)	(499)
Decrease/(increase) in debtors	(4,143)	1,555
Increase/(decrease) in creditors	3,938	15,570
<b>Net cash used in operating activities</b>	<u>(48,528)</u>	<u>117,640</u>
<b>Cash flows from investment activities:</b>		
Interest	47	499
Purchase of fixed assets	(8,396)	(608)
<b>Net cash provided by investing activities</b>	<u>(8,349)</u>	<u>(109)</u>
Increase/(decrease) in cash and cash equivalents during the year	(56,877)	117,531
Cash and cash equivalents brought forward	250,598	133,067
<b>Cash and cash equivalents carried forward</b>	<u>193,721</u>	<u>250,598</u>

## NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

**1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES****(a) Basis of preparation and assessment of going concern**

The accounts (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 financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) effective 1st January 2019, the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102), the Charities Act 2011 and The Companies Act 2006. The charity constitutes a public benefit entity as defined by FRS 102.

The trustees consider that there are no material uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue as a going concern.

**(b) Funds structure**

Restricted funds are funds which are to be used in accordance with specific restrictions imposed by the donor or trust deed. There are 31 restricted funds at the year end.

Unrestricted income funds comprise those funds which the trustees are free to use for any purpose in furtherance of the charitable objects. Unrestricted funds include designated funds where the trustees, at their discretion have created a fund for a specific purpose.

Further details of each fund are disclosed in note 16.

**(c) Income recognition**

All income is recognised once the charity has entitlement to the income, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount of income receivable can be measured reliably.

Donations are recognised when the charity has been notified in writing of both the amount and settlement date. In the event that a donation is subject to conditions that require a level of performance before the charity is entitled to the funds, the income is deferred and not recognised until either those conditions are fully met, or the fulfilment of those conditions is wholly within the control of the charity and it is probable that those conditions will be fulfilled in the reporting period.

Interest on funds held on deposit is included when receivable and the amount can be measured reliably by the charity; this is normally upon notification of the interest paid or payable by the bank.

Dividends are recognised once the dividend has been declared and notification has been received of the dividend due.

**(d) Expenditure Recognition**

Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, it is probable that settlement will be required and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably.

All expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis. All expenses including support costs and governance costs are allocated or apportioned to the applicable expenditure headings. For more information on this attribution refer to note (g) below.

**(e) Irrecoverable VAT**

Irrecoverable VAT is charged against the expenditure heading for which it was incurred.

**(f) Allocation of support and governance costs**

Support costs have been allocated between governance costs and other support costs. Governance costs comprise all costs involving the public accountability of the charity and its compliance with regulation and good practice. These costs include costs related to independent examination and legal fees together with an apportionment of overhead and support costs.

Governance costs and support costs relating to charitable activities have been apportioned based on staff time and facilities used in each activity.

The allocation of support and governance costs is analysed in note 7.

**(g) Charitable Activities**

Costs of charitable activities include governance costs and an apportionment of support costs as shown in Note 6.

**(h) Tangible fixed assets and depreciation**

Fixed assets are included in the accounts at net book value. Additions of a single item or a group of similar assets exceeding £500, are capitalised at cost (valuation for donated assets). Depreciation is provided to write off the cost less the estimated residual value of tangible fixed assets over their estimated useful lives as follows:-

Computer Equipment	33.33% on cost
Furniture & Equipment	25% on cost
Leasehold Improvements	over 22 years from January 2014

**(i) Debtors**

Trade and other debtors are recognised at settlement amount due after any trade discount offered. Prepayments are valued at the amount prepaid net of any trade discounts due.

**(j) Creditors and Provisions**

Creditors and provisions are recognised where the charity has a present obligation resulting from a past event that will probably result in the transfer of funds to a third party and the amount due to settle the obligation can be measured or estimated reliably. Creditors and provisions are normally recognised at their settlement amount after allowing for any trade discounts due.

**(k) Taxation**

The organisation is exempt from income tax by reason of its charitable status. Income tax suffered on investment income is reclaimed in full. The Charity is not registered for VAT.

**(l) Pensions**

The charity does not currently operate a pension scheme for its employees, but is working towards meeting its future obligations under auto enrollment legislation.

**(m) Contingent liabilities**

A contingent liability is identified and disclosed for those transactions resulting from a possible obligation which will only be confirmed by the occurrence of one or more uncertain future events not wholly within the trustees' control.

**(n) Commitments Under Operating Leases**

Rentals are charged to income and expenditure as they fall due.

2 INCOME FROM DONATIONS AND LEGACIES	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total 2022
	Funds	Funds	
	£	£	£
Donations	500	5,494	5,994
	<u>500</u>	<u>5,494</u>	<u>5,994</u>
Previous Year	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total 2021
	Funds	Funds	
	£	£	£
Donations	2,100	1,417	3,517
	<u>2,100</u>	<u>1,417</u>	<u>3,517</u>

## NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

## 3 INCOME FROM CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2022 £
Grants:			
Our Manchester VCS	-	58,051	58,051
MCC NIF - Cooker	-	1,548	1,548
High Sheriff	-	500	500
HAF	-	23,783	23,783
Garfield Weston Foundation	14,500	-	14,500
Veolia	-	22,287	22,287
We Love Manchester	-	7,000	7,000
MCC - RHLGF	9,245	-	9,245
MCC - Hate Crime	-	2,500	2,500
MCC - Merseyfest	-	3,014	3,014
MCC - Santa Dash	-	1,000	1,000
Good Things Foundation	5,221	-	5,221
Young Manchester Adventure Fund	-	2,492	2,492
MCC Work Club	-	7,500	7,500
Southway - Learning Hub	-	19,992	19,992
Southway - Beautiful South	-	4,000	4,000
Southway - Winter Warmer	-	1,000	1,000
Southway - Summer Activities	-	900	900
Arnold Clarke	-	1,000	1,000
Living Well Foudation	-	20,637	20,637
B & Q Foundation	4,979	-	4,979
Forever Manchester	-	100	100
Zochonis Trust	3,000	-	3,000
Big Life	10,000	-	10,000
Unitarian Church	3,700	-	3,700
MCC Wellbeing Fund	-	1,509	1,509
MCC Wellbeing Fund - Covid	-	8,029	8,029
Gr. Mcr. Mental Health - Wellbeing	-	1,000	1,000
OPeNS	-	49,240	49,240
Free Entitlement	28,811	-	28,811
NHS	-	12,369	12,369
Young Manchester - Playscheme	-	11,094	11,094
Young Manchester	-	66,129	66,129
Young Manchester - Social Action	-	1,000	1,000
Welfare Grants	-	1,720	1,720
British Science Association	-	1,000	1,000
Sport England	-	4,506	4,506
<i>Total Grants</i>	<u>79,466</u>	<u>334,900</u>	<u>414,356</u>
Group Contributions etc	-	5,005	5,005
Other Income	80	305	385
	<u>80</u>	<u>5,310</u>	<u>5,390</u>
	<u>79,536</u>	<u>340,210</u>	<u>419,746</u>

## NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

## 3. Cont....

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2021
	£	£	£
Previous Year			
Grants:			
Our Manchester VCS	-	58,051	58,051
MCC NIF - Covid	-	2,946	2,946
MCC NIF- Christmas	-	2,150	2,150
CAF - Resilience Fund	-	24,098	24,098
Garfield Weston Foundation	8,000	-	8,000
HMRC - CJRS	-	7,887	7,887
We Love Manchester	-	2,250	2,250
MCC - LRSG	12,000	-	12,000
MCC - RHLGF	25,000	-	25,000
Good Things Foundation	4,021	-	4,021
MCC Work & Skills	-	5,000	5,000
Southway - Learning Hub	-	19,992	19,992
Southway - Music for Mindfulness	-	1,540	1,540
Southway - School Uniforms	-	400	400
Big Lottery - Reaching Communities (£28,247 b/f)	-	91,530	91,530
Big Lottery Fund - Covid	-	59,102	59,102
Zochonis Trust	1,500	-	1,500
Big Life (£2,500 deferred)	10,000	-	10,000
Unitarian Church (£1,700 deferred)	2,000	-	2,000
MCC Wellbeing Fund (£1,509 deferred)	-	1,341	1,341
MCC Wellbeing Fund - Covid	-	350	350
Gr. Mcr. Mental Health - Wellbeing	-	953	953
Wellbeing - Other	-	910	910
OPeNS (£4,648 deferred)	-	39,940	39,940
Free Entitlement	42,297	-	42,297
NHS (£9,365 deferred)	-	1,401	1,401
Young Manchester - Playscheme (£1,942 b/f)	-	9,942	9,942
Young Manchester (£841 deferred)	-	64,447	64,447
Thrive (£6,741 b/f)	-	21,101	21,101
Sport England (£4,506 deferred)	-	2,704	2,704
Total Grants	104,818	418,035	522,853
Group Contributions etc	-	2,076	2,076
Contributions to Activities	-	9,292	9,292
Other Income	1,407	-	1,407
	1,407	11,368	12,775
	106,225	429,403	535,628

Big Lottery Reaching Communities - received £63,283 add deferred income brought forward £28,247.

## 4 INCOME FROM OTHER TRADING ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted Funds 2022	Restricted Funds 2022	2022	Unrestricted Funds 2021	Restricted Funds 2021	2021
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Room Hire	7,190	-	7,190	5,100	-	5,100
Fundraising	2,016	200	2,216	528	-	528
Shop Income	3,995	-	3,995	729	-	729
Café Income	554	-	554	272	-	272
	13,755	200	13,955	6,629	-	6,629

## 5 NET INCOMING RESOURCES FOR THE YEAR

	2022	2021
	£	£
The net incoming (outgoing) resources are stated after charging:		
Depreciation (owned assets)	8,151	7,758
Independent Examination	1,065	1,065
Other Financial Services	5,299	5,515
Trustees (Directors) Remuneration (see note 13)	-	-

## NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

## 6 EXPENDITURE

	Basis of allocation	Centre	Activity Zones	Total 2022
		£	£	£
<b>Expenditure on Generating Funds</b>				
Employment Costs	Staff Time	968	-	968
Premises Costs		1,976	-	1,976
Shop Costs		65	-	65
		<u>3,009</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>3,009</u>
<b>Expenditure on Charitable Activities</b>				
				£
Employment Costs	Staff Time	68,385	217,827	286,212
Sessional Staff		-	300	300
DBS Checks		140	8	148
Uniforms		1,287	-	1,287
Premises Costs	Activity	921	14,890	15,811
Volunteer Expenses	Activity	25	-	25
Staff Travel	Activity	130	27	157
Staff Training	Activity	-	400	400
Centre Activities	Activity	11,354	35,924	47,278
Partner Payments	Activity	3,121	26,822	29,943
Beneficiary Training	Activity	-	3,502	3,502
Subscriptions	Activity	954	35	989
Publicity & Website	Activity	874	1,715	2,589
Support Costs		78,472	12,447	90,919
Governance Costs		17,400	-	17,400
		<u>183,063</u>	<u>313,897</u>	<u>496,960</u>
				£
Restricted Funds				351,778
Unrestricted Funds				<u>148,191</u>
				<u>499,969</u>

	Basis of allocation	Centre	Activity Zones	Total 2021
		£	£	£
<b>Previous Year:</b>				
Employment Costs	Staff Time	2,387	-	2,387
Bad Debts		1,368	-	1,368
Premises Costs		2,145	-	2,145
Shop Costs		345	-	345
		<u>6,245</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>6,245</u>

	Basis of allocation	Centre	Activity Zones	Total 2021
		£	£	£
<b>Expenditure on Charitable Activities</b>				
				£
Employment Costs	Staff Time	137,349	149,740	287,089
DBS Checks	Staff Time	105	48	153
Premises Costs	Activity	10,689	6,473	17,162
Volunteer Expenses	Activity	501	45	546
Staff Travel	Activity	10	23	33
Staff Training	Activity	1,010	-	1,010
Centre Activities	Activity	18,615	17,922	36,537
Partner Payments	Activity	35	15,078	15,113
Beneficiary Training	Activity	1,674	-	1,674
Subscriptions	Activity	107	-	107
Publicity & Website	Activity	1,482	1,231	2,713
Support Costs		25,614	45,081	70,695
Governance Costs		17,619	121	17,740
		<u>214,810</u>	<u>235,762</u>	<u>450,572</u>
				£
Restricted Funds				437,374
Unrestricted Funds				<u>19,443</u>
				<u>456,817</u>

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

7 ALLOCATION OF GOVERNANCE AND SUPPORT COSTS

		General Support	Governance	Total 2022	Total 2021
		£	£	£	£
Employment Costs	Staff Time	18,361		18,361	21,308
Premises Costs	Activity	1,976		1,976	2,145
Donation In Kind - premises	Activity	3,800		3,800	3,800
Insurance	Activity	3,041		3,041	3,409
Cleaning	Activity	18,422		18,422	15,291
Equipment Leasing	Activity	1,583		1,583	1,583
Repairs & Renewals	Activity	19,264		19,264	1,725
Computer Maintenance	Activity	3,096		3,096	2,580
Minor Equipment & Software	Activity	1,084		1,084	751
Telephone & Internet	Activity	5,649		5,649	5,537
Post, Printing & Stationery	Activity	3,335		3,335	2,400
Sundries	Activity	1,219		1,219	374
Payroll Services	Activity	1,939		1,939	2,034
Depreciation	Activity	8,150		8,150	7,758
Accountancy	Governance		4,425	4,425	4,546
Consultancy	Governance		7,520	7,520	7,669
Professional Fees - HR	Governance		5,455	5,455	5,525
		90,919	17,400	108,319	88,435

8 STAFF NUMBERS AND COSTS

Staff costs were as follows:

	2022	2021
	£	£
Salaries and wages	285,969	291,333
Social security costs	14,742	14,511
Pensions	4,830	4,940
	305,541	310,784

The charity employed 21 people during the year. The average number of employees during the year, was 21 and calculated on the basis of full time equivalents was as follows:

	Number	Number
Management & Administration	2	2
Services	9	10
	11	12

Along with the trustees the key management personnel are the joint CEO's and Operations manager. The total employment benefits, including employer pension contributions of the key management personnel were £111,006 (2020 £57,890). No employee has benefits in excess of £60,000.

9 AMOUNTS DUE UNDER OPERATING LEASE ARRANGEMENTS

	2022	2021
	£	£
Due within one year	3,600	3,600
Due within 2-5 years	2,400	6,000
	6,000	9,600

A lease of £3,800 per annum for use of the premises exists but to date the lessor has donated use in kind.

## NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

10 TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS	Leasehold Improvements	Furniture & Equipment	Computer Equipment	Total
COST	£	£	£	£
At 1 April 2021	110,553	23,052	7,798	141,403
Additions	8,396	-	-	8,396
Disposals	-	-	-	-
At 31 March 2022	<u>118,949</u>	<u>23,052</u>	<u>7,798</u>	<u>149,799</u>
<b>DEPRECIATION</b>				
At 1 April 2021	39,477	20,042	7,029	66,548
Charge for Period	5,635	1,747	769	8,151
Disposals	-	-	-	-
At 31 March 2022	<u>45,112</u>	<u>21,789</u>	<u>7,798</u>	<u>74,699</u>
<b>NET BOOK VALUE</b>				
At 31 March 2022	<u>73,837</u>	<u>1,263</u>	-	<u>75,100</u>
At 31 March 2021	<u>71,076</u>	<u>3,010</u>	769	<u>74,855</u>

11 DEBTORS	2022 £	2021 £
Other Debtors	11,337	12,346
Prepayments	6,985	1,833
	<u>18,322</u>	<u>14,179</u>

In 2022 £15,590 relates to restricted funds (2021 £11,957).

12 LIABILITIES: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR	2022 £	2021 £
Other Creditors	5,298	3,752
Other Taxes and Social Security Costs	1	1
Deferred Income	49,730	44,060
Accruals	26,465	29,743
	<u>81,494</u>	<u>77,556</u>

In 2022 £26,371 is restricted funds (2021 £38,260).

13 DEFERRED INCOME	2022 £	2021 £
Deferred income comprises grants paid in advance (restricted income).		
Balance as at 1st April	44,060	41,421
Amount released to income earned from charitable activities	(44,060)	(36,930)
Amount deferred in the year	49,730	39,569
Balance as at 31st March	<u>49,730</u>	<u>44,060</u>

## 14 TRUSTEE REMUNERATION AND EXPENSES

No remuneration has been paid or is due to be paid to any of the trustees in respect of the period.  
No reimbursement of expenses has been made or is due to be made to any of the trustees in respect of the period.

15 CONTINGENT LIABILITIES	2022 £	2021 £
At 31 March	nil	nil

## NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

16 ANALYSIS OF CHARITABLE FUNDS	At 1st April 2021	Incoming Resources	Expenditure	Transfers	At 31st March 2022
<i>Analysis of Movement in Restricted Funds</i>	£	£	£	£	£
<b>Centre</b>					
Our Manchester VCS	-	58,051	(58,051)		-
We Love Mcr	-	2,000	(2,000)		-
Merseyfest	-	3,014	(2,706)		308
Donation in Kind - premises costs	-	3,800	(3,800)		-
NIF - Christmas	790	-	(194)		596
NIF - Cooker	-	1,548	(1,548)		-
Beautiful South	-	4,000	(3,719)		281
NHS Manchester CCG - Flu Vaccine	-	3,449	(3,449)		-
High Sheriff	-	500	(500)		-
Small Grants	-	100	(100)		-
<b>Learning Hub</b>					
Southways - Learning Hub	-	19,992	(19,992)		-
MCC - Work Club	-	7,500	(7,500)		-
Donations - Tyson Construction	-	2,500	(2,500)		-
<b>Young People &amp; Playschemes</b>					
Social Action	-	2,000	(1,946)		54
HAF	-	23,783	(23,783)		-
Thrive	712	-	(515)		197
Young Manchester	827	66,129	(66,956)		-
Young Manchester - Science	291	-	(291)		-
Young Manchester Adventure Fund	-	2,492	(2,492)		-
BSA Science Grant	-	500	(396)		104
Sport England	1,954	4,506	(3,016)		3,444
Southway - Summer Activities	-	900	(222)		678
The Cooperative - Youth Activities	3	-	-		3
MCC Special Education Needs - NIF	3	-	(3)		-
MCC - Hate Crime	-	1,250	(1,215)		35
CYP	6,980	1,205	(6,208)		1,977
We Love Mcr (CYP)	-	5,000	(5,000)		-
Young Manchester - Playscheme	964	11,094	(12,058)		-
Playscheme Donations & Other Income	714	-	(714)		-
<b>Older People &amp; Wellbeing</b>					
MCC Ling Well Fund	-	20,637	(20,637)		-
MCC Mcr Wellbeing Fund	500	1,509	(1,498)		511
Illuminate	-	4,687	(4,687)		-
NHS Manchester CCG	-	4,233	(3,236)		997
Greater Manchester Mental Health - Wellbeing	-	1,000	(1,000)		-
MCC- Hate Crime	47	500	(500)		47
Southway - Winter Warmer	567	1,000	(1,200)		367
Southway - Uniforms	161	-	(159)		2
Southway - Music for Mindfulness	1,540	-	-		1,540
MCC - Time 4U	726	-	(404)		322
Over 60's Contributions	2,215	975	(1,205)		1,985
Donations	307	2,094	-		2,401
MCC - Covid 19	133	8,029	(8,162)		-
Opens	-	49,240	(48,627)		613
South Neighbourhood Team - NIF - "The Den"	1,297	-	(212)	(347)	738
Small Grants	-	2,390	(1,320)		1,070
<b>Nursery</b>					
Hate Crime	88	750	(750)		88
Nursery Fees & Contributions	3	878	(881)		-
Out of School Club	281	3,352	(3,633)		-
Science Grant	-	500	(500)		-
Welfare	-	330	(330)		-
	<u>21,103</u>	<u>327,417</u>	<u>(329,815)</u>	<u>(347)</u>	<u>18,358</u>

## NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

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	At 1st April 2021 £	Incoming Resources £	Expenditure £	Transfers £	At 31st March 2022 £
<b>Restricted Funds from previous page</b>	21,103	327,417	(329,815)	(347)	18,358
<b>Capital Funds</b>					
Veolia	28,495	22,287	(17,595)		33,187
Wates	12,728	-	(909)		11,819
MCC- S Mcr Regeneration	7,640	-	(545)		7,095
Early Years - Playground	15,639	-	(1,123)		14,516
Southway Donation in Kind	3,759	-	(463)		3,296
Opens	486	-	(121)		365
NIF - The Den	-	-	-	347	347
Reaching Communities	307	-	(307)		-
Nursery Capital (Co-op & Ford Britain)	900	-	(900)		-
	<u>69,954</u>	<u>22,287</u>	<u>(21,963)</u>	<u>347</u>	<u>70,625</u>
	<u>91,057</u>	<u>349,704</u>	<u>(351,778)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>88,983</u>
<b>Analysis of Movement in Unrestricted Funds:</b>					
Designated Capital	4,226		(860)	1,109	4,475
Designated Funds					
Good Things Foundation - Learning Hub	1,862	5,221	(3,496)	-	3,587
Big Life - Learning Hub	10,000	10,000	(18,554)	-	1,446
	<u>16,088</u>	<u>15,221</u>	<u>(22,910)</u>	<u>1,109</u>	<u>9,508</u>
General Funds	<u>154,931</u>	<u>78,617</u>	<u>(125,281)</u>	<u>(1,109)</u>	<u>107,158</u>
Total Unrestricted Funds	<u>171,019</u>	<u>93,838</u>	<u>(148,191)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>116,666</u>
Total Funds	<u>262,076</u>	<u>443,542</u>	<u>(499,969)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>205,649</u>

**Third Party Grants**

BMCA received third party grants of £5,901 during the year. As BMCA were merely acting as a conduit for these funds and not accountable for them, the figures have not been reflected in income or expenditure.

Other grants administered for third parties are shown on the previous page.

At 31st March 2022 BMCA held £5,111 on behalf of other groups..

## NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

16 (cont...) Previous Year

ANALYSIS OF CHARITABLE FUNDS	At 1st April 2020	Incomng Resources	Expenditure	Transfers	At 31st March 2021
<i>Analysis of Movement in Restricted Funds</i>	£	£	£	£	£
<b>Centre</b>					
Our Manchester VCS	-	58,051	(58,051)	-	-
Big Lottery - Reaching Communities *	4,306	91,530	(95,529)	(307)	-
Big Lottery - Covid	-	59,102	(59,112)	10	-
CAF Resilience Fund	-	24,098	(24,098)	-	-
Donation in Kind - premises costs	-	3,800	(3,800)	-	-
NIF - Christmas	-	2,150	(1,360)	-	790
NIF - Covid	-	2,946	(2,946)	-	-
We Love Manchester	-	2,250	(2,250)	-	-
NHS Manchester CCG - Flu Vaccine	-	1,401	(1,401)	-	-
HMRC - CJRS	-	7,887	(7,887)	-	-
<b>Learning Hub</b>					
Southways - Learning Hub	-	19,992	(19,992)	-	-
MCC - Work & Skills	-	5,000	(5,000)	-	-
<b>Young People &amp; Playschemes</b>					
Groundwork - Social Action Cohorts	-	-	(154)	154	-
Thrive	2,227	21,101	(22,616)	-	712
Young Manchester	1,655	64,447	(65,275)	-	827
Young Manchester - Science	291	-	-	-	291
Young People - Donations	71	50	-	(121)	-
Sport England	-	2,704	(750)	-	1,954
The Cooperative - Youth Activities	4,783	-	(4,780)	-	3
MCC Special Education Needs - NIF	130	-	(127)	-	3
MCC - Hate Crime	21	-	(21)	-	-
CYP	-	8,791	(1,811)	-	6,980
Young Manchester - Playscheme	515	9,942	(9,493)	-	964
Playschema Donations & Other Income	714	-	-	-	714
<b>Older People &amp; Wellbeing</b>					
MCC Mcr Wellbeing Fund	-	953	(453)	-	500
MCC- Hate Crime	47	-	-	-	47
Southway - Winter Warner	-	1,500	(933)	-	567
Southway - Uniforms	-	400	(239)	-	161
Southway - Music for Mindfulness	-	1,540	-	-	1,540
MCC - Time 4U	-	1,341	(615)	-	726
Buzz	-	910	(910)	-	-
Over 60's Contributions	2,330	64	(179)	-	2,215
Donations	-	307	-	-	307
MCC - Covid 19	-	350	(217)	-	133
Opens	(16)	39,940	(39,438)	(486)	-
South Neighbourhood Team - NIF - "The Den"	1,470	-	(173)	-	1,297
<b>Nursery</b>					
Hate Crime	88	-	-	-	88
Nursery Fees & Contributions	-	512	(509)	-	3
Out of School Club	-	1,561	(1,280)	-	281
	<u>18,632</u>	<u>434,620</u>	<u>(431,399)</u>	<u>(750)</u>	<u>21,103</u>
<b>Capital Funds</b>					
Veolia	30,530	-	(2,035)	-	28,495
Wates	13,637	-	(909)	-	12,728
MCC- S Mcr Regeneration	8,185	-	(545)	-	7,640
Early Years - Playground	16,762	-	(1,123)	-	15,639
Southway Donation in Kind	4,222	-	(463)	-	3,759
Opens	-	-	-	486	486
Reaching Communities	-	-	-	307	307
Nursery Capital (Co-op & Ford Britain)	1,800	-	(900)	-	900
	<u>75,136</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(5,975)</u>	<u>793</u>	<u>69,954</u>
	<u>93,768</u>	<u>434,620</u>	<u>(437,374)</u>	<u>43</u>	<u>91,057</u>

## NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

16 cont ...	At 1st April 2020 £	Incoming Resources £	Expenditure £	Transfers £	At 31st March 2021 £
Restricted Funds from previous page	93,788	434,620	(437,374)	43	91,057
Analysis of Movement in Unrestricted Funds:					
Designated Capital	4,866		(873)	233	4,226
Designated Funds					
MCC LRSG - Nursery	-	6,000	(6,000)	-	-
Good Things Foundation - Learning Hub	-	4,021	(2,159)	-	1,862
Big Life - Learning Hub	-	10,000	-	-	10,000
	<u>4,866</u>	<u>20,021</u>	<u>(9,032)</u>	<u>233</u>	<u>16,088</u>
General Funds	70,186	95,432	(10,411)	(276)	154,931
Total Unrestricted Funds	<u>75,052</u>	<u>115,453</u>	<u>(19,443)</u>	<u>(43)</u>	<u>171,019</u>
Total Funds	<u>168,820</u>	<u>550,073</u>	<u>(456,817)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>262,076</u>

**Third Party Grants**

BMCA received third party grants of £300 during the year. As BMCA were merely acting as a conduit for these funds and not accountable for them, the figures have not been reflected in income or expenditure.

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At 31st March 2021 BMCA held £1,200 on behalf of The Primary Partnership Team and £300 for other groups..

**17 ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS BETWEEN FUNDS**

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2022 £
Tangible Fixed Assets	4,475	70,625	75,100
Net Current Assets	112,191	18,358	130,549
	<u>116,666</u>	<u>88,983</u>	<u>205,649</u>
Previous Year			
	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2021 £
Tangible Fixed Assets	4,866	69,989	74,855
Net Current Assets	166,153	21,068	187,221
	<u>171,019</u>	<u>91,057</u>	<u>262,076</u>

**18 FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS**

The charity only has financial assets and liabilities of a kind that qualify as basic financial instruments.

Basic financial instruments are initially recognised on a transaction value and subsequently measured at their settlement value with the exception of bank loans which are subsequently measured at an amortised cost using the effective interest method.

**19 GOING CONCERN**

The company's main source of income is grant funding and rental income. The trustees consider that it is appropriate to prepare the accounts on a going concern basis and, consequently, the accounts do not include any adjustments that would be necessary if the funding income should cease.

Following the securing of specific grants for 2022/23 and the continuing support of funders trustees are confident that the Centre remains a going concern, despite a short term drop in self-generated income.

**20 POST BALANCE SHEET EVENTS**

The trustees consider that there are no significant post balance sheet events that impact on the financial statements as presented.

**21 CONTROL OF THE COMPANY**

Control of the company lies with the volunteer trustees named on Page 1.



COMMUNITY FUND

We are a Living Wage Employer



# Barlow Moor BMCA LTD.

COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION  
@ The Julie Mrozek Community Centre

## IMPACT REPORT 2021-2022



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## CHAIR'S INTRODUCTION JOANNA MIDGLEY

It is with great pleasure and pride that I introduce the Barlow Moor Community Association Impact Report for 2021/2022. It has been another challenging year as we continued to deal with the ongoing impacts of the Covid pandemic and then started to open the centre and relaunch the face-to-face delivery of sessions whilst keeping service users and staff safe. I would like to thank our amazing staff team, volunteers and Board for being caring, adaptable and flexible as always as we met those challenges together.

It is brilliant to see the centre so full of life again and so much has been delivered to improve the quality of life, aspirations and enjoyment of our local residents.

A major highlight of 2021 was Merseyfest - back bigger and better. It felt joyful to be together again in person enjoying each other's company, music, fun, food and a wide range of activities on the playing fields; and it didn't rain!

This was followed by other very successful and well attended events like Spookyfest for Halloween and our brilliant Christmas festivities including Santa's First Stop.

Our day-to-day support for local people is second to none, and helping people get back into work and achieve qualifications can have a huge impact.

Food and fuel poverty and the cost-of-living crisis are big issues locally, and we are aiming to support people wherever we can - this has been a major focus over the last year and will continue to be as we move forward.

Children and young people suffered greatly during the pandemic and missed out on many opportunities, but BMCA has been a constant source of support throughout. Our Youth and Play team are adept at thinking of new experiences and challenges to engage our young people.

Our links with the community are stronger than ever and the Charity Shop on the shopping parade is a firm favourite. The Community Café is now open again for two days a week, and this is proving to be a great place for people to meet and socialise. These valuable community assets and many activities and events at the centre would not be possible without our fantastic volunteers who staff them. We genuinely appreciate their time and input. A small group of volunteers were able to attend a thank you afternoon tea with the Lord Mayor of Manchester arranged by local councillors.

## VOLUNTEERS

*"When you volunteer, you vote every day about the kind of community you want to live in."*  
- Author Unknown



## AFTERNOON TEA WITH THE LORD MAYOR

In November our volunteers received an invitation to afternoon tea with the lord mayor in his chambers.

Our volunteers enjoyed tea and sandwiches, with a bit of cake and a natter with other volunteers from across the city.



## Here's to another amazing year ahead!



## A VOLUNTEERS JOURNEY

L had an existing connection with the centre through family and was aware of the service that BMCA offered, so decided to register as a volunteer in 2019. After completing their induction, they expressed an interest in supporting the health and well-being activities and events within the centre.

During regular conversations with the volunteer coordinator L discussed their previous job roles and that they had an interest in **training** and developing their skills to start on the road to returning to their workplace. L felt that after being at home with their family they wanted to reconnect with the community and start to make a difference to others as well as use their free time in an effective and worthwhile way.

L completed a number of short courses which could enhance their job opportunities but also enable them to do more within the centre. By completing a food hygiene course L could start to serve and prepare food, this opened up the opportunity to volunteer in a new BMCA venture, The Den, a local community café.

Along with developing the knowledge needed to work in the catering sector, L was able to refresh their IT skills, re-learning something they had not done for a while.

L started to work as part of a small team to prepare The Den for opening, this was to be a grand event and linked to our AGM, both taking place on the same day. L was a key member of the team and was proud of their role. L demonstrated skills including team work, time management, flexibility, communication and customer service. The event was a success and L couldn't wait to get started, sharing ideas of how the community café could move forward.

### Then Covid hit and everything stopped!

This was not going to stop L from continuing their journey and so when offered the opportunity to achieve a volunteering qualification they joined. This was a new way of learning for everyone involved. Using zoom to attend a class and sending completed work via email. This was another opportunity to update and refresh IT skills. As well as home schooling their own children L completed their qualification with a great sense of achievement.

Over the summer of 2020 L returned to the centre to reopen the community café, very much looking forward to welcoming customers, preparing teas and coffees (having received some training on the coffee machine) and being part of the team.

## POSITIVE CHANGE

*"For every positive change you make in your life, something else also changes for the better – it creates a chain reaction." – Leon Brown*

### WALK AND TALK

Walk and Talk has massively increased since restrictions eased. With around 8 – 10 regular service users joining us on a weekly basis for a walk around Chorlton Water Park. This year we have worked in partnership with the Conservation Volunteers to offer an eight-week project to promote nature in the local community. Within this the group have been bird spotting, looking at nature in the water and identifying trees.

*"Thank you to Rachel, Rebecca and Ruth for today's walk, I loved looking at the local nature, it's good to know what we can do to help the nature in our local area."*



### GARDENING

We have introduced a new Gardening project, with service users showing interest and keen volunteers wanting to make a difference to the area turning an unused space into a welcoming environment.

The gardening project has enabled local people to learn **new skills**, increase **community cohesion**, expand on **communication skills**, **improve mental and physical wellbeing** along with **reducing loneliness and isolation**.

*"It was an amazing experience getting involved with the gardening project. Seeing the fruitfulness of my handy work."*

*"The best bit was seeing the produce from my hands' work."*

*"I was so at peace in the garden."*

*"The support you and your colleagues gave me was amazing."*



This year we have seen an increase in the support needed around food and financial support. We continue to offer Food Bank Vouchers, Food Parcels and other activities around food such as Community Lunches and introducing food provision into existing sessions.

### RECIPE BOOK

Over the summer we offered an additional 'Lets Cook' session for parents and carers to attend while their children were enjoying Play Scheme. Some examples of the meals we learnt to cook included; Sausage, Mash and Onion Gravy, Spaghetti Bolognese, Chilli and Pasta Bake. Through this we have also been able to produce our very own BMCA Recipe Book to enable our service users to take the recipe's learnt home with them to cook for their families.



### HOLIDAY SUPPORT FUND

BMCA became a referral hub to enable local people access to the Household Support Fund. Through this we supported 16 individuals to receive grants of either £70 or £100 with a total of £1390 applied for. This money supported individuals who are struggling financially to purchase food, pay bills, or put gas and electric on their meter.



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ADULTS SUPPORTED



66

ACCESSED FINANCIAL INFORMATION & ADVICE



85

LEVEL 1 & 2 QUALIFICATIONS ACHIEVED



15

JOB OUTCOMES



35

CPD STAFF TRAINING COURSES



86

ACCESSING HEALTH & WELLBEING

## HATE CRIME AWARENESS



During Hate Crime Awareness week, 25 of our young people got involved in creating a campaign to end hate crime and encourage people to report it; making posters, holding candle vigils, designing t-shirts, baking cakes and making street art. The young people were very involved and vocal in early discussions around types of hate crime and their own experiences as well as very enthusiastic and creative when deciding on ideas of how to convey their message.

All elements of the project were designed to be age appropriate with Junior club 5-8 years focusing on ideas of unity, compassion and equality and created flyers, posters and flags conveying these messages. Senior youth 13+ went into the more complex ideas and specific types of hate crimes and the effects these can have on individuals and society. They then created the t-shirts and the video concept relating to these messages. Junior generation, 9-12 years, then took this material as well as some of their own and wore the t-shirts whilst walking around the local area spreading awareness, putting the posters and flyers in local shops.

The young people filmed the project from start to finish with some of the older ones volunteering in the younger sessions. This youth led approach and its successful outcomes have definitely given many of the young people a sense of ownership, pride and self-belief, which they have vocalised through the project and since.

**Comments made by the young people**  
*'Projects like this are good, what else can we do next'.*

*'I enjoyed researching the songs and hearing their messages'*  
 another stated

*'I really enjoyed the filming and I now want to buy my own camera'*

Local people who spoke with the young people during some activities and the campaign around the local area commented on what a good idea this was which helped with changing perceptions of young people and increasing community cohesion. The final video we created for this campaign is available online <https://youtu.be/t1leAeR2zwg>



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CHILDREN & YOUNG PEOPLE  
 ACCESSED PROVISION



8 WEEKS

OF PLAY SCHEME



32

CHILDREN & YOUNG PEOPLE TOOK PART IN SOCIAL ACTION



28

ACCESSED FOOD VOUCHER SUPPORT



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EHA'S AND FAMILY SUPPORT MEETINGS

### CONSULTATIONS

It was a busy summer full of fun activities and consultations, the children and young people took part in a survey for the plans to upgrade Chorlton Park playground.

Manchester Play Network, Manchester City Council and Young Manchester are working together to update the Manchester Play Strategy. Our children and young people also had their input in the Play strategy consultation completing an online survey which will feed into the updated play strategy later this year.



## VIBRANT COMMUNITIES

"Alone we can do so little; together, we can do so much" – Helen Keller



### YOUTH LED PLANNING

We held an 'Away Day' type session with our young people, the session was modelled on how we plan our sessions and event timetables. We first mind mapped what types of activities and trips the young people would want to have going forward - we split these into three categories, food and cooking, sports activities and general activities and for each we discussed what we would need to do or get to do them i.e. shopping list for meals/cooking, new dodgeballs and trips down to the field for football, music/video equipment etc.

We then looked at important causes, issues the young people felt affected them, or that they felt strongly about, and discussed ways in which we could put on events or activities to raise awareness or campaign around these topics. These included things like improving the local area, Hate crime awareness, Knife crime, LGBT & BLM awareness campaigns and events, community fairs and social events and more. We then put these into a calendar, planning which activities could be done each week with the aim of creating a diverse set of events and activities in line with the skills for life principles.

Just from the planning alone the young people **demonstrated organisation, communication and teamwork skills.**



## BUILDING CONFIDENCE

Service user J came to the Centre to enquire about the courses that we run in the Learning Hub. They had recently bumped into an old friend who they had not seen for a number of years and the friend told them about a course that they had recently completed at the Centre.

J explained that having completed qualifications whilst at school and then at college, they had not been employed since having young children and would like to start learning and gaining qualifications which would help them return to work.

Whilst completing an initial advice and guidance session with J they explained that they really wanted to look for a role that would fit in with their children who had all recently started school.

J decided to enroll on the Level 1 Preparing to Work in Schools course. From the first session, J engaged with all the other learners and seemed comfortable in the setting, answering questions when asked and sharing experiences.

The sessions allowed J to develop friendships and this also developed their confidence. Towards the end J expressed an interest in continuing their learning and asked to go onto the next level of the qualification. During the time between the courses J attended the Centre to receive support in completing an application form for a role found within a local school. We completed the application process and J was invited to attend an interview. Unfortunately, J was informed that due to a change in circumstances the role had been put on hold indefinitely.

This did have an effect on their confidence but through discussion we were able to identify that they had been successful at part of the process and this in its self had been a learning curve.

J started the level 2 support work in schools and colleges course with a strong desire to achieve the qualification. Once again, confidence, self-belief and motivation grew and J became aware of a volunteering opportunity in a local primary school.

Supported by their peers and through discussion within the group J received some hints and tips around what to expect at an informal chat with the deputy head teacher regarding the volunteer position.

J has been offered the volunteering role, which will allow J to put their knowledge into practice and gain excellent skills and experience.

Whilst attending the Centre J has received help with accessing benefits available through completion of a benefit checker. J attended job club and 1-1 employability support; writing a CV, producing a cover letter and completing an application form.

**By attending the Centre J has become more motivated, gained confidence and gained a social circle whilst achieving 2 qualifications in the professional area J wishes to pursue a career in.**



### AUTUMN FALLS

Our older people enjoyed a two course meal, falls prevention information pack (including leaflets, slippers and safety tools) along with an information talk around Climate change thanks to our partnership with Groundwork.

after the closures due to Government restrictions feedback included:

*'I am so looking forward to coming back for the card making group, I have missed it.'*

*'It is so lovely to be able to come out of the house to the centre on a regular basis after such a long period of time.'*

*'I thoroughly enjoyed today, thank you so much, it just shows how we all need to work together to help tackle climate change too.'*

*'The information in the bag will be so helpful, I can now have torches around the house to be able to help move around when it is dark, thank you.'*



### CRAFT GROUP

Our craft group has continued to expand with individuals coming together to enjoy a range of craft activities including: card making, crocheting, painting and knitting. The cards are sold for a small donation to enable the group to buy more resources to produce more cards. The group were happy to be back in the Centre

## CHRISTMAS DINNER IN A BAG

This year we offered families in financial difficulty, Christmas Dinner in a bag, this included everything you need for a Christmas Dinner – Turkey, Pigs in Blankets, Crackers, Napkins, Shloer, Biscuits, Mince Pies and more. Feedback from this provision included:

*'Wow, thank you so much, this is amazing, I didn't expect this at all.'*

*'Thank you so much, I literally have everything I need here for Christmas Day, this is a massive help.'*



## CHRISTMAS DAY DINNER

This year we adapted our Christmas Day dinner from face to face delivery to home deliveries to ensure the safety of our service users. Although we would have preferred to have our face to face Christmas dinner the alternative option still had a positive impact on those service users who accessed this support. Through this 13 older people received a Christmas Day dinner, dessert, present, mince pies and drink to celebrate Christmas Day. Service users enjoyed seeing and speaking to our volunteers on Christmas Day reporting **reduced loneliness and isolation and improved mental health and wellbeing.**

## NEIL SAND'S CHRISTMAS MEMORIES - THEATRE TRIP

Our yearly theatre trip to watch Neil Sands was enjoyed by all; our older people enjoyed a sing-along to Christmas songs and hymns with a live performance. The older people enjoyed it so much that they requested to attend the mid-year performance in June 2022 for the jubilee celebration.

## COMMUNITY LUNCHES

In January 2021 we re-introduced our monthly Community Lunches with over 30 individuals attending per event. Each session saw a hot two course meal with either a game of prize bingo or quiz, the lunch was enjoyed by all.

Feedback from this included:

*'Thank you so much for lunch today, it was lovely'*

*'It was nice to have these back, thank you so much.'*



The community lunches increase community cohesion, reduce loneliness and isolation and improve mental health and wellbeing.



CHRISTMAS DINNER IN A BAG –  
**29 FAMILIES/99 INDIVIDUALS**



CHRISTMAS EVE SURPLUS FOOD –  
**28 FAMILIES**



CHRISTMAS DAY – **13 INDIVIDUALS**



NEIL SANDS CHRISTMAS MEMORIES  
THEATRE TRIP – **13 OLDER PEOPLE**

During our annual Blackpool trip local families enjoyed fish and chips, a walk along the sea-front and of course some shopping.

*'I really enjoyed myself today, I have had some fish and chips, got some fresh air and had a change from being in Choriton all the time'*

*'I really enjoyed today, I'm shattered now but I really enjoyed myself.'*

Our Llandudno day trip enabled older people to go out of their local area and explore and discover new things; some older people enjoyed a meal out with friends, some explored the shops and some enjoyed a very wet and windy walk around the town centre.



BLACKPOOL –  
**18 LOCAL PEOPLE**



WAP TIME TEA DANCE –  
**25 OLDER PEOPLE**



LLAUDUDNO –  
**26 INDIVIDUALS**



CRAFT MAKING –  
**9 INDIVIDUALS ON A WEEKLY BASIS**

MOBILE PHONES DISTRIBUTED – **150**  
VODAFONE – **50 SIM CARDS / DATA**



TABLETS – **6**

LAPTOPS ON MONTHLY LOAN –  
**7** WORKING WITH SOUTHWAY HOUSING TRUST



ONLINE COMMUNITY HEALTH –  
**56** SERVICE USERS SUPPORTED



GOOD THINGS FOUNDATION "NOBODY IN THE DARK PROJECT" – **40** SERVICE USER COMPLETED THE QUIZ

**£1390** APPLIED FOR TO SUPPORT **16** INDIVIDUALS



**109** COMMUNITY LUNCHES ENJOYED



**30** HALF TERM 'FUN' FOOD PARCELS CREATED



**140** BREAKFAST PACK DISTRIBUTED



**OVER 200** FOOD PARCELS ISSUED

## MERSEYFEST

This year we held our third annual Merseyfest on the Parkway Playing Fields off the Mersey Bank Estate; a fun day and information sharing event that is completely free to access for the local community. After the turbulent year we have had, the event was much enjoyed by the community with activities including:

- Inflatables
- Reptiles
- Face painting
- Covid Vaccination Van
- Information Stalls
- Live entertainment including a Magician and singers
- Free food for all

Through partnership work we were able to expand our offer this year with many local organisations coming to support the event including: Chorlton Arts Festival, Citizens Advice, Be Well and RSPB. Overall Merseyfest brought a much needed sense of 'normality' to the community allowing community members of all ages to enjoy the event.

<https://youtu.be/KwGsF31xBI>



ATTENDEES – 600



## WAR TIME TEA DANCE

Our War Time Tea Dance was a great success bringing people together to communicate, reduce loneliness and isolation and meet new people. During this event we had live entertainment singing War Time themed songs, a themed quiz, complimentary raffle and Afternoon Tea. The event was enjoyed by all with feedback received such as:

*'The Tea Dance was amazing, the tables and room looked amazing, the staff was so helpful and although I was nervous going into the room for the first proper event in 17months I really enjoyed it, thank you.'*



## SPOOKY FEST

Our senior youth group really wanted to give back and make a difference within their community and show themselves in a positive light, as a staff team we supported the young people to plan and deliver a family fun day event for Halloween. This was all delivered in a local park and the young people planned activities that would suit all age ranges; they did this by looking back at other community events BMCA have delivered and evaluated what had worked well.

Overall the event was a massive success with 203 individual children and young people in attendance as well as many more adult family members; we estimate over 300 people in total.

### Quotes from members of the community

*"It was fantastic"*

*"Frightened to death, Fantastic"*

*"Excellent loved it"*

*"The young people of this community should be proud of themselves"*

*"Great fun for families in the half term"*

## OUTREACH

### CHARITY SHOP

With the help of a small team of our volunteers the charity shop has remained open (when restrictions allowed) throughout the last 12 months. Our aim for 2022 is to open a third day to expand our community assets and provide further opportunities for volunteering, retail experience and shopping!

### THE DEN

This year we have re-opened The Den, our community café. This has enabled local people an alternative, affordable place to meet new people, have light refreshments and a safe space to go to. Re-opening the café has had a positive impact on the local community with feedback including

*"It is so lovely having the café open again, it's really what the estate needs"*

*"I really enjoy being able to go somewhere for a coffee and sandwich."*

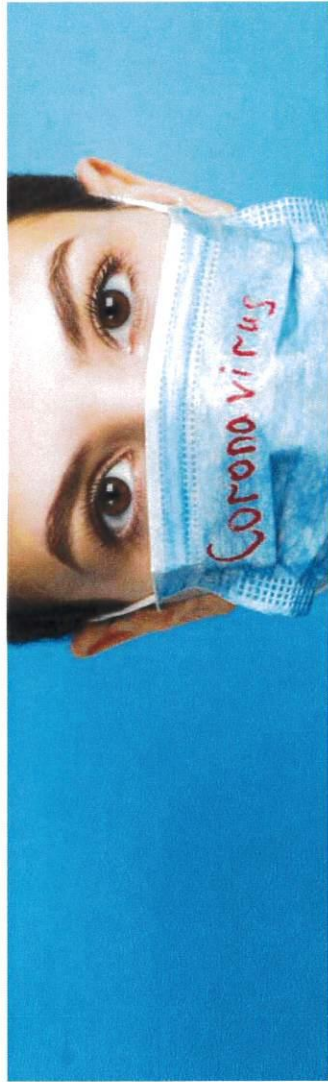
## PARTNERS

### CHRISTMAS EVE SURPLUS FOOD

Working in partnership with Aldi and Lidl, BMCA collected a large amount of surplus food from stores to be given out to local families in need. This prevented a large amount of food being disposed of and enabled families to receive food bags on Christmas eve to help over the Christmas period.

From session delivery to large events like Mersey fest we couldn't do it without the support of our partners.





## LIFE AFTER COVID

Although Covid hasn't gone away we are learning to readjust to a new way of living; social distancing has become a habit and face masks are the new norm. As we try to find our feet again, re-establish relationships and re-engage with the wider community we are now facing another challenge in the Cost of Living Crisis. BMCA will continue to provide support and work in partnership to strengthen our community and ensure no one gets left behind.

Case study – no funds, no food, no phone

Service user A originally came into the centre to use the library computers, whilst signing in and speaking to the reception staff they were told to help themselves to a cup of tea if they wanted from the tea trolley. Service user A was very grateful and started to explain they were having some problems. The member of staff advised them to take a seat and she would ask someone to come and talk to them.

Once seated with a cup of tea and some toast the service user started to explain what had happened. They had recently had their benefits stopped (sanctioned) due to failure to attend a job centre appointment. They went on to explain that they had been waiting for a workman to attend their property after damage had been caused by a third party which made the property insecure. As they had at that point not received a crime number the job centre had explained that until this was provided they had to withhold their benefits.

This meant that the service user had no money and was unable to buy food so had not eaten or had a hot drink for the last 2 days. In order to be able to heat their home they had sold their mobile phone and so could not contact any support agencies.

Within the centre we quickly pulled together a food parcel for them to take immediately and completed

a foodbank request for a food delivery the next day.

We then booked in an appointment so we could complete a mandatory reconsideration with the DWP. This could be completed once service user A had gone to their appointment at the job centre with their crime number and police report to explain fully what had happened.

The outcome was full reinstatement of benefits, along with receiving back dated payment. Service user A was very thankful for the support we had been able to offer.

We have continued to offer support recently providing surplus food on Christmas Eve along with delivery of Christmas dinner on Christmas day. We were also able to provide a mobile phone with free minutes, texts and data.

We will continue to work with and support service user A as they are aiming to attend some of the health and well-being sessions that are on offer within the centre.

**This case study highlights the need for intense holistic support in order to help those living in poverty address immediate need in order for them to begin the process of looking for work, reaching their potential and being successful.**

## CEO STATEMENT

As we sit and write our first CEO statement I think both Becky and myself are marveling at the journey we have been on since joining BMCA. From Learning Hub and Nursery Managers to filling the rather sizable shoes of one Mrs Julie Mrozek it has been quite the experience.

My journey started in June 2015 when I joined the Nursery as the new manager, I hadn't been here 12 months when my future partner in crime joined to head up the Learning Hub in May 2016. We both came from quite corporate backgrounds but clearly showed a passion for a more holistic approach to the help and support we could provide those we work with. It turns out that we also shared our love of dressing up and acting the fool!

Over the next 6 years we both developed our respective areas within the centre and took on additional roles and responsibilities; on becoming Strategic Leads I took over the youth and play delivery, with Becky inheriting all things adults. Working with Julie meant that there was no end to the opportunities to learn and develop our craft, from funding bids, steering groups and scrutiny to partnership development and event management we have (almost) done it all. It has been a process, and not always a successful one but with Julie in the lead and an incredible staff team having our backs we have grown into what are hopefully two competent and (fingers crossed) successful CEO's of an incredible community centre located on an amazing estate.

Saying goodbye to Julie in December and watching the outpouring of love and admiration from service users, staff, volunteers and colleagues across the city, those shoes I mentioned earlier never looked so big, but I'm confident that with the support of the board, staff and volunteers and the endless drive and enthusiasm of service users and local people Becky and I have got this!

BMCA is home and the people in it are family, it's not a conventional family but who has one of those? It's a family that provides a space to feel safe, support and encouragement to achieve and a full cheer leading squad that ensures everyone meets their potential.

How long was it Julie sat in this chair?  
28 years?

OK here's to the next 21 years

Wish us luck!

**Toni &  
Becky X**



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# Accounts

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**BARLOW MOOR COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION LIMITED**

**REGISTERED COMPANY NUMBER 07476646 (ENGLAND)  
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**FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021**

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**Report of the trustees for the year ended 31<sup>ST</sup> March 2021**

The trustees present their annual directors' report and financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2021 which are also prepared to meet the requirements for a directors' report and accounts for Companies Act purposes.

The financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the Companies Act 2006, the Memorandum and Articles of Association, and the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019).

**Reference and administrative information**

Charity Name: Barlow Moor Community Association Limited

Charity Number: 1142217

Company No: 07476646

**Directors and trustees**

The directors of the charitable company (the charity) are its trustees for the purpose of charity law.

The trustees and officers serving during the year and since the year end were as follows:

Ms Joanna Midgley (Chair)

Mrs Christine Davis (Treasurer)

Mr Philip Davis (also Company Secretary)

Rev. Anne Pilkington

Mrs Michelle Hodges

Mr Luke Hodges

Mr Richard Eden

**Key Management Personnel: Trustees and Directors**

Ms Joanna Midgley                      Chair of Trustees

**Senior Managers**

Mrs Julie Mrozek

Miss Philomena Sales

**Registered Office**

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**Bankers**

Cooperative Bank plc, 1 Balloon Street, Manchester, M60 4EP

Epworth Investment Management, 9 Bonhill Street, London, EC2A 4PE

### **Objectives and activities**

The purposes of the charity are:

- to promote the benefit of the inhabitants of Barlow Moor and its environs without distinction of sex, sexual orientation, race or of political, religious or other opinion by associating together the said inhabitants and the local authorities, voluntary or other organisations in a common effort to advance education,
- to provide facilities in the interests of social welfare for recreation and leisure time occupation with the object of improving the condition of life for the said inhabitants.
- to secure the establishment of a community centre and to maintain and manage the same whether alone or in cooperation with any local authority or other person or body in furtherance of these objects, and
- such other purposes as may be charitable according to the law of England and Wales and to relieve the poverty of the public in England by the provision of free and confidential information about charitable, voluntary, health and public services.

The trustees confirm that they have referred to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit when reviewing the Charity's aims and objectives, in planning future activities, and setting the policies for the year.

The charity furthers its charitable purposes for the public benefit through undertaking community activities.

We provide cradle to the grave services through two services, Children & Young People and Adult Services. This includes a 30 place nursery offering 15 hours care for under 5's per week, a Stay and Play session, Open access play sessions and holiday play schemes.

Our Youth provision offers 2 Intermediate Youth sessions per week for 9 – 14yr olds and 2 Senior Youth sessions per week for the 13+ age group.

Our Older Peoples service runs over 3 days per week, offering exercise classes, arts & crafts, a greetings card social enterprise, social activities, befriending & luncheon club.

Our community learning/library offers a full library service run by volunteers and a twice weekly work club, training courses, advice and information.

"Our People Our Place" project offers Health & Wellbeing project activities throughout the week within the centre and across the wider community, and include seasonal events and supported volunteering opportunities.

We maintain a community centre for use by other groups including Credit Union, Slimming World, mediation services, faith groups, private parties, Residents Association, local regeneration steering group, social housing provider and local authority, councillor surgeries, Food Bank and Narcotics Anonymous.

### **Structure, governance and management**

Barlow Moor Community Association Limited is a company limited by guarantee governed by its Memorandum and Articles of Association dated 22<sup>nd</sup> December 2010. It is registered as a charity with the Charity Commission (dated 2nd June 2011).

### **Appointment of trustees**

As set out in the Articles of Association trustees are elected annually by the members of the charitable company attending the Annual General meeting. Each year one third of the trustees shall retire from office by rotation based on the longest standing and offer themselves for re-election.

### **Trustee induction and training**

Trustees are given information about their role and responsibilities on first being appointed. They are also given a copy of the constitution, information about staffing and management, and are shown copies of policy documents.

Once appointed to subgroups they are given further information on funding, systems etc, and are trained in relevant procedures (eg. Bank reconciliation and other Quickbooks procedures for the treasurer).

### **Organisation**

The board of trustees administers the charity. The board normally meets monthly. A Centre Manager is appointed by the trustees to manage the day-to-day operations of the charity.

### **Related parties and co-operation with other organisations**

None of our trustees receive remuneration or other benefit from their work as a trustee with the charity. Any connection between a trustee or senior manager with any service providers must be disclosed to the full board of trustees in the same way as any other contractual relationship with a related party. In the current year the Centre Manager's daughter was employed during the year and was paid a total of £11,169.

### **A review of our achievements and performance**

The main achievements during the year were;

#### **Positive change**

Following the disappointing Ofsted inspection in July 2019, Nursery staff underwent intense online training and confidently awaiting the next inspection. Unfortunately, due to the pandemic, Ofsted inspections were suspended and replaced with short visits called interim inspections. Nursery received its interim inspection in November, Ofsted acknowledged the Nursery for having met all actions from the previous inspection. Within the report, it says that the focus of the visit was to check whether the provider had met the safeguarding and welfare action raised in the last inspection. The report then goes on to state that they found Nursery had improved the effectiveness and consistency of the key person system, and that they are satisfied that the Nursery had met the safeguarding and welfare action that had been raised.

By providing the children with the best possible start and delivering the Early Years Foundation Stage Curriculum, we can ensure our children leave us School ready and confident to start their new chapter.

Over the last 12 months, as children and young people were off school, our focus beyond Spring Play Scheme and leading into Summer Play Scheme was to maintain visibility and a presence offering guidance information and support. We continued to ensure all of the activities we promoted met the 5 ways to wellbeing, posting and using activities that help local people develop new skills, such as homemade pasta/bread/playdough.

We also highlighted social issues and awareness days and disseminated other helpful information with social media posts, videos and zoom sessions discussing things such as ***Pride Month, Mental Health Awareness, Health Information Week, Home Schooling and the Black Lives Matter Protests***. All of which had young people and families in the community engaged in conversation.

It quickly became apparent that some young people did not have access to mobiles, tablets and internet access. We provided **11 MiFi Hubs, 2 laptops, 4 tablets and 14 phones** aiding **20 families and 22 individual young people with digital inclusion**.

Following a successful two weeks of Play Scheme during the Summer we returned to the centre in September delivering Nursery, Play and Youth in Covid safe "Bubbles". In keeping with government guidance we:

- Continued ***direct messaging and emails to service users*** to let them know that we were still contactable
- **Connected with other youth organisations** through social media and becoming **involved in live streams**
- With the George Floyd incident, BLM and social climate at this time we focused on promoting equality, diversity and **information on support organisations**.
- **Found and promoted** the **OUR PASS** bus travel scheme and helped **3 young people to apply**
- Promoted the **'Rail to Rescue'** initiative, a joint initiative between rail companies and Women's Aid in which train operators cover the cost of train tickets for women, men and children escaping domestic abuse travelling to refuge accommodation.
- As well as humour, inspirational and arts and craft content we adapted posts to **offer a more impactful experience**, things like brain training exercises, riddles, and **informational posts on various other subjects like jobs, CV advice and life skills**.

We saw a considerable amount of Young People vocalising their happiness at being able to come to the centre and the reprieve it gives them and also engaging very well with the new activities and being inspired to try new things.

The young volunteers have also told us how their parents are proud and it made them feel good to be volunteering, they are glad they are doing it and enjoying it.

**'I'm glad we got a place like this to come to, imagine you didn't...'**

**'So glad we can come back 'cos everything is boring''**

Our core offer in the **Learning Hub** has included-

- A Matrix accredited Information, Advice and Guidance service
- Weekly Job Club
- 1 – 1 Enhanced Employability Support
- Financial and Digital inclusion
- ICT – Digital Drop In
- English Conversation Café
- Food Hygiene, Allergy Awareness, Health and Safety online course
- Accredited NCFE qualifications

Early on in the pandemic, it became clear that a number of our service users did not have suitable devices to stay connected and we were able to source funding to supply tablets and Wi-Fi hubs to

assist these individuals. Through the We Love Manchester Fund, we were able to purchase 28 Tablets and 10 Wi-Fi Hubs for our Service Users. These were distributed to help reduce loneliness and isolation while increasing social connection with family, friends and access to local services such as ours.

With our online resources, we have continued to offer courses remotely throughout the last year. The courses have continued to be popular with existing service users and new services users who see them as good opportunity to update knowledge.

Feedback has included:

**“This was my first time using zoom and I definitely enjoyed it when I was able to get the hang of it 😊. I feel like the course improved my research skills and taught me more about the responsibilities of being a volunteer as well as the responsibilities companies have towards volunteers.”**

One of our success stories of the pandemic has been the number of staff CPD courses, supported by the Learning Hub. This has enabled the staff to update their knowledge and gain new skills in order to fully support our service users and their changing needs.

Courses completed include

- Food Allergy Awareness
- Health and Safety Training
- Safeguarding Adults
- Supporting Individuals to Access and use Service Facilities
- Dementia Awareness Training
- Suicide Prevention Training
- Team Leading
- Wheel Chair Awareness Training
- Fuel Poverty
- Census Support Advisor Training

Over the past 12 months Learning Hub have received two external Quality Assurance inspections for our accredited courses. Both these Quality Assurance inspections resulted in direct claims status, Health, Childcare and Education.

**“My sincere thanks to Becky and Janette for uploading all documentation and evidence not only in a timely manner but also in folders that were clearly named and easy to access. It was real pleasure to hear about the team plans to grow their provision and I look forward to supporting the team with this over the coming weeks and months. I am pleased to confirm that the quality of provision including assessment and internal quality assurance processes mean that the centre now has Direct Claim Status for all 3 qualifications currently offered”**

While being unable to deliver a lot of our adult face-to-face provision due to Government restrictions, we have adapted and developed new ways to stay in touch with our service users and the local community. One of these ways has been to develop an Art for Mindfulness project. The effects of the pandemic have seen an increase in poor mental health and a severe lack of motivation. Through consultation, we asked if art therapy would be something people would like to try and the response was overwhelming. The hidden talents within the community really shone through in our virtual art gallery as showcased on our Youtube page.

### **Vibrant Communities**

This year, the Nursery has welcomed 16 new children and their families through the doors, with 850 attendances over the year. We have also said goodbye to 3 children as they started their new chapter into school in September 2020.

This year, one of Nursery's highlights included celebrating Holi Festival in March 2021, where staff and children celebrated with music, dancing and painting each other's t-shirts with bright, beautiful colours.

During the last two weeks of July, we delivered play scheme for 5 to 14yrs, adapted to run in accordance with Government guidance. Sessions were free play based with games, toys, equipment and activities available and the promotion of "Skills for Life".

#### **Adult led activities included:**

Water Bottle designing	Budget Craft Competition
Team Games/Relay Races	Number Hunt
Riddle Quest	Arts and Craft competitions
Obstacle Course Building	
Crystal Growing	
Dinosaur Fossil Kits/Science Experiments	

Pack lunches provided throughout Play Scheme replaced our usual cooking activities due to Covid restrictions.

With this strategy, we were able to maximise our impact, provide support, relief, and play opportunities to **60+ young people and their families**.

Getting to see the young people in person again allowed us to talk face to face about their uncertainties around Corona Virus related topics and concerns, confusion and upset by the ongoing BLM issues.

We also gave out **208 breakfast packs to 16 households** over this period as well as provide **meals and food parcels** that helped struggling families impacted by **food poverty and holiday hunger with the help of partner organisations**.

Impact - Continued increased overall engagement in the form of comments, likes and shares with more of a community being fostered. Young people telling us how happy they are to be back at the centre and able to come and have fun with a sense of normality.

**'We'd be lost without you!!! Thank you so much'**

**'My grandkids have absolutely loved it'**

**'You guys have been amazing. Hadn't realised I'd missed the noise kids make when they are playing together, Nice for them to be able to see each other again!'**

**For the second part of this holiday period**, we sent out over **650 activity packs** to the local and extended community and then we ran a **daily online ZOOM Play Scheme**.

In response to changes in restrictions and a drive to try to move to face-to-face provisions, we started September with an outreach provision with activities and games on the local playing field. For the Outreach based work, we took a selection of pre-planned activities and games down to the fields as well as various other sports equipment to facilitate a directed free play environment. We took hand sanitizer, water and a first aid kit.

Throughout the sessions we played football and football based games, basketball and basketball based games, rounders, cricket, manhunt and other group games, as well as having arts and crafts and braiding activities and just playing on the swings and play area in general.

- **Outreach sessions** - engaging **30+ young people** over the week.
- **One to one sessions** online and in the centre, engaging **10 young people**.

We moved to Indoor based Covid19 safe sessions towards the end of September.

Once back in the building running sessions, we divided the evening into **3 different age groups with an hour for each** and 15 minute clean down sessions between them.

Hand sanitizer was used on entrance and the groups were kept at **15 in total**, in accordance with amended Government guidance.

We chose this delivery method to allow for the most access to provision for all age groups.

We also

- Sent out over 80 creative care kits
- Partnered with Groundwork, Brook RRT and Man City FC on resources, activities and information for our young people.
- Had 4 of our Young People from our Senior Youth start volunteering, coming in most days helping in two different age ranges of sessions.
- Created a 'zone' strategy, with the aim of creating specific zones such as Hair & Make-Up, Music & Media, Gaming, Arts & Design, Sport & Fitness
- Created personal growth books in which the young people can keep an account of their interest and goals and track/ update the progress as well as other things
- Bought Oculus rift VR Headset with game in which you have to take on the role of different job professions, this involved maths and coordination skills and some entry-level real life job experiences i.e. the process of stocking a shop and serving customers, or the processes a waiter has to follow in a cafe.
- Young people expressed their desire to create music and asked if we can get logic pro which they use at school. Downloaded free music software as an introduction to creating music and they have started their own compositions.
- Purchased Boxing bag and gloves, new games, radio controlled cars, Hair and nail equipment and accessories, Mannequin doll heads and arts and craft equipment.
- **Young people led activities around boxing techniques and training skills along with hair and nail sessions.**
- Started **incorporating the Skills for Life pillars in activities.**
- As we could not go out for meals we brought in a local celebrity chef and ex-young person 'EXOSE at Home' to show the young people 'Nandos at Home', cooking a meal for **15 young people** themed around the Nandos menu.

- Helped with the School uniform drive **impacting and supporting 150 families**

After a while, each of these sessions became fully booked meaning we were **engaging with and offering support to 45 individual children (and their families by extension) daily.**

Our Over 60's group has gone from strength to strength to adapt and develop new provision over the past year with the launch of our Older People's Neighborhood Support project working in partnership with other organisations.

Our core provision has included:

- Mature Movers – Chair Based exercises
- Cake and Conversation – Older People's Forum
- Luncheons
- Breakfast Club
- Social Club
- All you Knead – Baking sessions

When Government restrictions allowed we were able to hold an in-house Autumn Falls event, this enabled small groups of people to come together for a lunch and information session that included information on safety in the home, fall prevention slippers and gaining information from the NHS Falls Prevention Team.

Most face-to-face provision this has been on a one to one basis with a pre booked appointment and very tailored to the individual's requirements.

***"Thank you for yesterday Janette, you really did help my esteem and have given me some great guidance already".***

***"I just want you to know that I really do appreciate your help. I can see that you are very professional and I feel that I'm in really good hands ♥️"***

Outcomes

- 155 Service Users accessed Learning Hub services
- 130 Further training & development courses completed
- 69 Accredited qualifications achieved
- 3 Service Users accessing full time employment
- 8 Service Users accessing part time employment
- 122 Service Users engaging in volunteering opportunities

### **Covid-19**

BMCA are proud to be able to say that we have managed to maintain active provisions throughout this year, despite the ongoing difficulties presented by Covid19 restrictions and lockdowns. We have done this by:

- Continuously monitoring government guidance,
- Speaking to our young people, community and service users
- Evaluating and risk assessing any ideas or strategies we had in regards to providing service.

This past year has been a somewhat tumultuous journey, progressing through various 'stages' in terms of how we have been able to provide service.

During the initial stages of the Covid 19 outbreak, as the centre was closed and the nation went into lockdown for the first time, we endeavoured to work towards bolstering our online provision and implemented that through Facebook, Twitter, Instagram and Zoom sessions.

We sent direct messages and emails to service users to let them know that we were still contactable, with information on how to do so. Our initial social media strategy was to maintain a presence in the community and ensure service users can still contact us and get advice and support.

Stay and Play sessions have remained closed. However, Nursery were happy to welcome the children back into the provision in September 2020. During this time, staff took a very active approach on social media, posting daily updates and making weekly phone calls to each family making sure they were safe and well, had support and to offer any advice. We also made video calls to some of the children.

Alongside the support that Nursery offered during the pandemic, Centre staff made up activity packs and food parcels and delivered these keeping a safe distance.

We were unable to provide the 2020 Spring Play Scheme as planned, so instead, we amended our provision and delivered activity packs to the children's homes, then we tailored some of our online activities to utilise the resources we had provided.

Staff were available remotely throughout the day, delivering sessions using live streams, Quizzes and providing activity ideas. As well as this main core online live period, we created a number of other activities that we filmed and posted. All of these activities were chosen due to factors such as their inclusiveness, accessibility and adherence to the then current government regulations.

In total, we connected with and supported **over 150 families and young people** through the play scheme and its associated online engagement strategies.

In December we had our Learning Hub received their yearly Matrix inspection, this was carried out remotely and the final report was positive.

**"The biggest challenges have been the need to respond quickly to an ever-changing situation, having to undertake instantaneous risk assessments and planning.**

**The key to the successes that you have had have been (beside brilliant leadership!) the determination of staff to made a difference in their local community and being willing to respond to the challenges that they have faced."**

Christmas brought its own challenges as we wanted to ensure that as many of our celebrations and activities as possible could go ahead.

- Arts and Crafts sessions, Clay Ornament Sculpting, Bauble Designing.
- Winter Wonderland window display for the local Living Advent Calendar.
- **Christmas party with music and games**
- **106 Individual** Christmas Dinners in Bag
- Christmas Eve Hampers to **41 families**

- Key 103 Xmas - packing **135 gift bags** for local young people

As we could not invite the community into the centre to visit Santa, we took him to the estate! **Engaged with 250 families** handing out Christmas presents.

We have continued to work with local people, many of whom lead chaotic lifestyles, have poor mental health and wellbeing and have multiple complex needs. During this time, we have endeavored to maintain all core provision, adapting our methods of delivery in order to meet the changing needs of the local community, offering remote services such as:

- 'At the Gate' Conversations
- Activity Packs
- Be-friending calls
- Food Parcels
- Bootcamp
- Dance sessions
- Online Yoga
- Cooking
- 'Let's Connect' initiative
- Financial Information, Advice and Guidance
- Meals on Wheels
- Postcards, connective activities
- Art for Mindfulness projects

Feedback received from some of our projects has included:

**'Thank you BMCA for the beautiful postcard that arrived today.'**

**'What a lovely way of keeping in touch, reducing isolation and spreading some joy!'**

With the closure of many public buildings and the key message of 'Stay at Home' many individuals became increasingly lonely, isolated and digitally excluded having no access to telephones, internet, tablets or computers to access the remote provision being provided by organisations across the city. BMCA identified this very early on in the pandemic consulted with local people to assess need and sourced funding to address this, through this we have been able to provide individuals and families with:

- 25 tablets
- 10 Mifi's
- 5 Mobile Phones

This has enabled families to stay connected, reduced loneliness and isolation, improved mental health and wellbeing, providing the means to information, advice and guidance, along with the ability to access our online provision including training, Zoom be-friending sessions and Quizzes. Adapting our service and offering alternative provision during the temporary closure of the Centre has been a lifeline for many with some service users giving feedback such as:

**'The centre gave me a reason for living. I don't know what I would do without you.'**

**'Community spirit is alive and living on Merseybank estate.'**

**'Thank you BMCA you have saved my life.'**

### Volunteers

Since starting our 4 young volunteers have given 480 hours over the last 6 months, which equates to £2217.60 in social value.

Throughout the pandemic we have remained in contact with our volunteers through befriending calls, door stop chats and newsletters. New technology has also been introduced to a number of them who have participated in zoom catch ups learning new digital skills.

Learning new skills has allowed our fantastic volunteers to continued supporting our services even during a very difficult year and have seen their roles change quickly and dramatically. From planning remote sessions, to delivering activity packs, many of our volunteers have continued to show a keen interest in supporting their local community through challenging times.

Some of the projects our Volunteers have supported are:

- Delivery of food parcels and meals
- Packing and distributing activities packs to our older service users and families
- Breakfast bags for families over the summer holidays
- Uniform week
- Launch of Community Café
- Charity Shop
- Christmas Activities
- Santa Dash
- Remote activity planning

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The impact of keeping our volunteer programme active during this turbulent year has been phenomenal with individuals showing:

- Increased resilience
- Improved communication skills
- Accessing new provision
- Learning new skills
- Improved Confidence and Self-esteem

Alongside this we saw the Charity shop go from strength to strength, with our volunteers re-arranging the shop to ensure it is Covid-19 safe, quarantining donations and ensuring customers following Government guidelines while shopping.

The launch of our Community Café hit a bump in the road with the multiple lockdowns but with two regular volunteers showing keen interest in supporting the project we fought on. Volunteers completed multiple courses ahead of the grand opening including Food Hygiene, Allergy Awareness, Health and Safety.

The volunteer led Focus group has continued to meeting regularly to help plan and deliver different remote activities and community activities including Spooky Fest and Santa Dash. Through these events the focus group worked with a budget to purchase, plan and develop the activities for the community to enjoy in a Covid secure way.

**'Thank you so much guys, this was an amazing thing to do.'**

**'Thank you, this brought so much happiness to my family.'**

**'Special thanks to our marvelous team BMCA all out early doors this morning dressing up the Water Park for our Halloween event, you are priceless, lovely to see so many in fancy dress. Well Done.'**

Our volunteers have also accessed a wide range of training including:

- Level 1 award in Volunteering
- Level 2 Food Hygiene
- Manchester Mind

With many of the volunteers using Zoom for the first time and a little apprehensive, our volunteers were given the support and guidance needed to be able to complete and access this remote provision.

**'Zoom, Zoom, Zoom! People zooming here, zooming there these last few weeks. When I first heard the word, I'd no idea what that meant apart from its usual meaning. I kept wondering what was zoom. I'd recommend Zoom to anyone who wants to try.'**

More recently with schools returning our volunteers were able to support a Manchester City Council initiative of providing play scheme in a bag to 1685 children by packing and delivering to 16 schools within South Manchester.

The key to the success of our volunteering project has been consulting with the local community and working in partnership with other stakeholders, listening to their wishes and acting on their ideas. The Volunteers are great advocates and share information about our services within the wider community and feedback people thoughts on what we deliver.

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**'I just want to say that the contact BMCA has continued to do has meant a lot to me and without that I don't know where I would be. I am feeling a bit more positive now and trying to look forward to when to when I can get back into the volunteering.'**

### Partners

We have seen a huge spike in those who require support due to financial hardship and the pandemic has compounded this issue, there has been increased demand for support for food poverty. We worked with partners such as the Rapid Relief Team, Morrison's, Aldi, Key 103 and a number of funders to provide food parcels and a meals on wheels service for local people.

Over the festive period, a time when a great many services are closed and need is at its highest, we ensured that families had enough food by providing all the ingredients to cook Christmas Dinner along with enough food to last at least four days. We distributed **108 Christmas meals** and **41 food parcels** on Christmas Eve and **135 local children received gifts**. Offering this provision helped families combat the effects of the financial strain Christmas brings, compounded by the fallout from the pandemic such as job losses, furlough and poor health.

Working in partnership with the Southway Housing and Buzz we were able to provide **320 Winter Warmer** bags across the neighborhood, this has included distribution points with:

- Chorlton Good Neighbours
- Burnage Good Neighbours
- Didsbury Good Neighbours
- Quids In groups
- Westcroft Community Centre

Each pack contained a range of items to keep older people warm during the winter months including a hat, gloves, flask, soup, blankets and information leaflets, these was greatly appreciated with feedback received including:

**'Thank you so much for my pack, it is much appreciated.'**

### **Financial review**

The charity had an increase in income due to Covid support measures with income in the year ending with a total of £550,073 (2020 £478,055). Expenditure decreased to £456,817 from £504,067 with most of this coming from restricted reserves. This left a surplus of £93,256 (2020 deficit of £26,012). Unrestricted reserves at the year end, were £171,019, up from £75,052 in 2020. The surplus will help in supporting the charity through 2021 as we try to re-establish income generating activities.

### **Investment powers and policy**

The trustees, having regard to the liquidity requirements of operating the charity, have kept available funds in an interest bearing deposit account.

### **Reserves policy and going concern**

The balance held in unrestricted reserves at 31<sup>st</sup> March 2021 was £171,019 of which £166,153 are free reserves, after allowing for funds tied up in tangible fixed assets. The charity has designated just over £16,000 of this to support specific activities. Restricted reserves totalled £91,057 with £69,989 relating to fixed assets (spent) and £21,068 relating to revenue.

## BARLOW MOOR COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION LIMITED

The trustees aim to establish and maintain free reserves in unrestricted funds at a level which equates to approximately four months of charitable expenditure (currently £152,000). The trustees consider that this level will provide sufficient funds to respond to applications for grants and ensure that support and governance costs are covered.

Having regard to the 21/22 budget and supplemented by the general funds the trustees consider that the charity is a going concern.

Grants of £230,454 have been confirmed for 2021/22.

### **Risk management**

The trustees have conducted a review of the major risks to which the charity is exposed and systems have been established to mitigate those risks. Where appropriate, systems or procedures have been established to mitigate the risks the charity faces. Procedures are in place to ensure compliance with health and safety of staff, volunteers, young people, other service users and visitors.

### **Trustees responsibilities in relation to the financial statements**

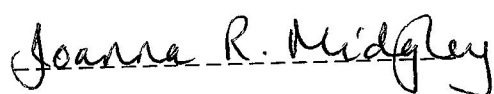
The charity trustees (who are also the directors of Barlow Moor Community Association Limited for the purposes of company law) are responsible for preparing a trustees' annual report and financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

Company law requires the charity trustees to prepare financial statements for each year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure, of the charitable company for that period. In preparing the financial statements, the trustees are required to:

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

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

By order of the board of trustees



Chair Ms Joanna Midgley

Date: 20<sup>th</sup> May 2021

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF BARLOW  
MOOR COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION LIMITED**

I report on the accounts of the company for the Year Ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2021, which are set out on pages 16 to 29.

**Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner**

The trustees (who are also the directors of the company for the purposes of company law) are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed. The charity is required by company law to prepare accrued accounts and I am qualified to undertake the examination by being a qualified member of The Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales.

Having satisfied myself that the charity is not subject to audit under company law and is eligible for independent examination, it is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act ;
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(b) of the 2011 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 the general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair view' and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

**Independent examiner's statement**

In connection with my examination, except as shown below, 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 386 of the Companies Act 2006; and
  - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records, comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the Companies Act 2006, ; and
  - with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities

have not been met; or

- (2) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

*EL Anderson*

EL Anderson MA FCA CTA  
Community Accountancy Service Ltd  
The Grange, Pilgrim Drive  
Beswick, Manchester, M11 3TQ

Date: 20<sup>th</sup> May 2021

**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021**  
(including income and expenditure account)

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds 2021 £	Restricted Funds 2021 £	Year Ended 31 March 2021 £	Year Ended 31 March 2020 £
<b>INCOME FROM</b>					
Donations & Legacies	2	2,100	1,417	3,517	1,056
Donation In Kind		-	3,800	3,800	3,800
Charitable activities	3	106,225	429,403	535,628	448,744
Other Trading Activities	4	6,629	-	6,629	23,870
Investment Income		499	-	499	585
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>		<u>115,453</u>	<u>434,620</u>	<u>550,073</u>	<u>478,055</u>
<b>RESOURCES EXPENDED</b>					
Costs of Raising Funds	6	6,245	-	6,245	9,847
Charitable Activities	6	13,198	437,374	450,572	494,220
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURE</b>		<u>19,443</u>	<u>437,374</u>	<u>456,817</u>	<u>504,067</u>
<b>NET INCOME (EXPENDITURE) &amp; NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS FOR THE YEAR</b>					
Gross Transfer between funds	16	(43)	43	-	-
<b>RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS</b>					
TOTAL FUNDS BROUGHT FORWARD	16	75,052	93,768	168,820	194,832
<b>TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD</b>	16	<u>171,019</u>	<u>91,057</u>	<u>262,076</u>	<u>168,820</u>

The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses in the year. All incoming resources and resources expended derive from continuing activities.

The notes on pages 19 to 29 form part of these accounts.

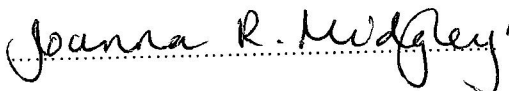
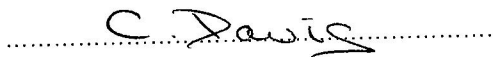
BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 MARCH 2021

	Notes	2021 £	2020 £
<b>FIXED ASSETS</b>			
Tangible Fixed Assets	10	74,855	82,005
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>			
Debtors	11	14,179	15,734
Cash at Bank and in Hand		<u>250,598</u>	<u>133,067</u>
		264,777	148,801
<b>LIABILITIES:</b>			
Amounts falling due within one year	12	<u>(77,556)</u>	<u>(61,986)</u>
<b>NET CURRENT ASSETS</b>		187,221	86,815
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>		<u><u>262,076</u></u>	<u><u>168,820</u></u>
<b>THE FUNDS OF THE CHARITY</b>			
Restricted Income Funds	17	91,057	93,768
Unrestricted Income Funds	17	<u>171,019</u>	<u>75,052</u>
<b>TOTAL CHARITY FUNDS</b>		<u><u>262,076</u></u>	<u><u>168,820</u></u>

For the year in question the company was entitled to the exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.  
 -The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its accounts for the year in question in accordance with section 476.  
 - The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts.

These accounts have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies' regime.

Approved on behalf of the Company's Board of Trustees:

Trustee		Ms Joanna Midgley
Trustee		Mrs Christine Davis

Date: 20th May 2021

The notes on pages 19 to 29 form part of these accounts.

## STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31ST MARCH 2021

	2021 £	2020 £
<b>RECONCILIATION OF NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS TO NET CASH FLOW FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES</b>		
Net movement in funds	93,256	(26,012)
Add back depreciation	7,758	7,636
Deduct investment income	(499)	(585)
Decrease/(increase) in debtors	1,555	7,039
Increase/(decrease) in creditors	15,570	(18,046)
<b>Net cash used in operating activities</b>	<u>117,640</u>	<u>(29,968)</u>
<b>Cash flows from investment activities:</b>		
Interest	499	585
Purchase of fixed assets	(608)	(3,172)
<b>Net cash provided by investing activities</b>	<u>(109)</u>	<u>(2,587)</u>
Increase/(decrease) in cash and cash equivalents during the year	117,531	(32,555)
Cash and cash equivalents brought forward	133,067	165,622
<b>Cash and cash equivalents carried forward</b>	<u>250,598</u>	<u>133,067</u>

## NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021

**1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES****(a) Basis of preparation and assessment of going concern**

The accounts (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 financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) effective 1st January 2019, the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102), the Charities Act 2011 and The Companies Act 2006. The charity constitutes a public benefit entity as defined by FRS 102. The trustees consider that there are no material uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue as a going concern.

**(b) Funds structure**

Restricted funds are funds which are to be used in accordance with specific restrictions imposed by the donor or trust deed. There are 31 restricted funds at the year end. Unrestricted income funds comprise those funds which the trustees are free to use for any purpose in furtherance of the charitable objects. Unrestricted funds include designated funds where the trustees, at their discretion have created a fund for a specific purpose. Further details of each fund are disclosed in note 16.

**(c) Income recognition**

All income is recognised once the charity has entitlement to the income, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount of income receivable can be measured reliably. Donations are recognised when the charity has been notified in writing of both the amount and settlement date. In the event that a donation is subject to conditions that require a level of performance before the charity is entitled to the funds, the income is deferred and not recognised until either those conditions are fully met, or the fulfilment of those conditions is wholly within the control of the charity and it is probable that those conditions will be fulfilled in the reporting period. Interest on funds held on deposit is included when receivable and the amount can be measured reliably by the charity; this is normally upon notification of the interest paid or payable by the bank. Dividends are recognised once the dividend has been declared and notification has been received of the dividend due.

**(d) Expenditure Recognition**

Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, it is probable that settlement will be required and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. All expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis. All expenses including support costs and governance costs are allocated or apportioned to the applicable expenditure headings. For more information on this attribution refer to note (g) below.

**(e) Irrecoverable VAT**

Irrecoverable VAT is charged against the expenditure heading for which it was incurred.

**(f) Allocation of support and governance costs**

Support costs have been allocated between governance costs and other support costs. Governance costs comprise all costs involving the public accountability of the charity and its compliance with regulation and good practice. These costs include costs related to independent examination and legal fees together with an apportionment of overhead and support costs. Governance costs and support costs relating to charitable activities have been apportioned based on staff time and facilities used in each activity. The allocation of support and governance costs is analysed in note 7.

**(g) Charitable Activities**

Costs of charitable activities include governance costs and an apportionment of support costs as shown in Note 6.

**(h) Tangible fixed assets and depreciation**

Fixed assets are included in the accounts at net book value. Additions of a single item or a group of similar assets exceeding £500, are capitalised at cost (valuation for donated assets).

Depreciation is provided to write off the cost less the estimated residual value of tangible fixed assets over their estimated useful lives as follows:-

Computer Equipment	33.33% on cost
Furniture & Equipment	25% on cost
Leasehold Improvements	over 22 years from January 2014

**(i) Debtors**

Trade and other debtors are recognised at settlement amount due after any trade discount offered. Prepayments are valued at the amount prepaid net of any trade discounts due.

**(j) Creditors and Provisions**

Creditors and provisions are recognised where the charity has a present obligation resulting from a past event that will probably result in the transfer of funds to a third party and the amount due to settle the obligation can be measured or estimated reliably. Creditors and provisions are normally recognised at their settlement amount after allowing for any trade discounts due.

**(k) Taxation**

The organisation is exempt from income tax by reason of its charitable status. Income tax suffered on investment income is reclaimed in full. The Charity is not registered for VAT.

**(l) Pensions**

The charity does not currently operate a pension scheme for its employees, but is working towards meeting its future obligations under auto enrollment legislation.

**(m) Contingent liabilities**

A contingent liability is identified and disclosed for those transactions resulting from a possible obligation which will only be confirmed by the occurrence of one or more uncertain future events not wholly within the trustees' control.

**(n) Commitments Under Operating Leases**

Rentals are charged to income and expenditure as they fall due.

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2021
	£	£	£
<b>2 INCOME FROM DONATIONS AND LEGACIES</b>			
Donations	2,100	1,417	3,517
Gift Aid	-	-	-
	<u>2,100</u>	<u>1,417</u>	<u>3,517</u>
Previous Year	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2020
	£	£	£
Donations	829	71	900
Gift Aid	146	10	156
	<u>975</u>	<u>81</u>	<u>1,056</u>

## NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021

## 3 INCOME FROM CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2021
	£	£	£
Grants:			
Our Manchester VCS	-	58,051	58,051
MCC NIF - Covid	-	2,946	2,946
MCC NIF- Christmas	-	2,150	2,150
CAF - Resilience Fund	-	24,098	24,098
Garfield Weston Foundation	8,000	-	8,000
HMRC - CJRS	-	7,887	7,887
We Love Manchester	-	2,250	2,250
MCC - LRSG	12,000	-	12,000
MCC - RHLGF	25,000	-	25,000
Good Things Foundation	4,021	-	4,021
MCC Work & Skills	-	5,000	5,000
Southway - Learning Hub	-	19,992	19,992
Southway - Music for Mindfulness	-	1,540	1,540
Southway - School Uniforms	-	400	400
Big Lottery - Reaching Communities (£28,247 b/f)	-	91,530	91,530
Big Lottery Fund - Covid	-	59,102	59,102
Zochonis Trust	1,500	-	1,500
Big Life (£2,500 deferred)	10,000	-	10,000
Unitarian Church (£1,700 deferred)	2,000	-	2,000
MCC Wellbeing Fund (£1,509 deferred)	-	1,341	1,341
MCC Wellbeing Fund - Covid	-	350	350
Gr. Mcr. Mental Health - Wellbeing	-	953	953
Wellbeing - Other	-	910	910
OPeNS (£4,648 deferred)	-	39,940	39,940
Free Entitlement	42,297	-	42,297
NHS (£9,365 deferred)	-	1,401	1,401
Young Manchester - Playscheme (£1,942 b/f)	-	9,942	9,942
Young Manchester (£841 deferred)	-	64,447	64,447
Thrive (£6,741 b/f)	-	21,101	21,101
Sport England (£4,506 deferred)	-	2,704	2,704
<b>Total Grants</b>	<b>104,818</b>	<b>418,035</b>	<b>522,853</b>
Group Contributions etc	-	2,076	2,076
Contributions to Activities	-	9,292	9,292
Other Income	1,407	-	1,407
	<b>1,407</b>	<b>11,368</b>	<b>12,775</b>
	<b>106,225</b>	<b>429,403</b>	<b>535,628</b>

Big Lottery Reaching Communities - received £63,283 add deferred income brought forward £28,247.

## NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021

3. Cont....

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2020
	£	£	£
Previous Year			
Grants:			
Our Manchester VCS	-	58,051	58,051
MCC Food Poverty & Fareshare	-	725	725
MCC NIF- Nursery	-	475	475
MCC Work & Skills	-	7,500	7,500
MCC Merseyfest	-	2,000	2,000
South Neighbourhood Team - NIF	-	3,000	3,000
Salford CVS	250	-	250
Forever Manchester	-	200	200
Good Things Foundation / Tinder Trust	-	1,315	1,315
The Co-operative	-	4,783	4,783
Southway - Learning Hub	-	19,992	19,992
Southway - Merseyfest & Dance into Summer	-	1,900	1,900
Big Lottery - Reaching Communities (£28,247 def)	-	119,153	119,153
The Henry Smith Charity	-	13,700	13,700
Zochonis Trust	3,000	-	3,000
Big Life	-	10,000	10,000
Marks & Spencer plc	-	500	500
Unitarian Church	3,500	-	3,500
MCC Wellbeing Fund	-	3,000	3,000
Wates	-	5,000	5,000
Free Entitlement	-	43,919	43,919
Nursery Special Education Needs	-	1,715	1,715
MCC Hate Crime	-	1,500	1,500
Young Manchester - Playscheme (£1,942 deferred)	-	9,773	9,773
Young Manchester	-	90,265	90,265
Young Manchester - BSA Science	-	500	500
Thrive (£6,741 deferred)	-	7,620	7,620
MCC Special Education Needs NIF	-	2,408	2,408
Groundwork - Social Action - Cohorts	-	15,025	15,025
Third Party Grants - returned	-	(159)	(159)
Total Grants	6,750	423,860	430,610
Group Contributions etc	-	14,829	14,829
Memberships	16	-	16
Activities & Outings	-	2,196	2,196
Contributions to Community Events	197	500	697
NHS - Winter Warmer	-	396	396
	213	17,921	18,134
	6,963	441,781	448,744

Big Lottery Reaching Communities - received £117,872.50, add deferred income brought forward £29,547 less deferred income carried forward £28,247 re: April to June 2020).

## 4 INCOME FROM OTHER TRADING ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted Funds 2021	Restricted Funds 2021	2021	Unrestricted Funds 2020	Restricted Funds 2020	2020
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Room Hire	5,100	-	5,100	16,875	-	16,875
Fundraising	528	-	528	2,023	473	2,496
Shop Income	729	-	729	3,599	-	3,599
Café Income	272	-	272	-	-	-
Other Income	-	-	-	900	-	900
	6,629	-	6,629	23,397	473	23,870

## 5 NET INCOMING RESOURCES FOR THE YEAR

	2021	2020
	£	£
The net incoming (outgoing) resources are stated after charging:		
Depreciation (owned assets)	7,758	7,636
Independent Examination	1,065	1,060
Other Financial Services	5,515	5,622
Trustees (Directors) Remuneration (see note 13)	-	-

## NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021

## 6 EXPENDITURE

	Basis of allocation	Centre	Activity Zones	Total 2021
		£	£	£
<b>Expenditure on Generating Funds</b>				
Employment Costs	Staff Time	2,387	-	2,387
Bad Debts		1,368	-	1,368
Premises Costs		2,145	-	2,145
Shop Costs		345	-	345
		<u>6,245</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>6,245</u>
<b>Expenditure on Charitable Activities</b>				
				£
Employment Costs	Staff Time	137,349	149,740	287,089
DBS Checks	Staff Time	105	48	153
Premises Costs	Activity	10,689	6,473	17,162
Volunteer Expenses	Activity	501	45	546
Staff Travel	Activity	10	23	33
Staff Training	Activity	1,010	-	1,010
Centre Activities	Activity	18,615	17,922	36,537
Partner Payments	Activity	35	15,078	15,113
Beneficiary Training	Activity	1,674	-	1,674
Subscriptions	Activity	107	-	107
Publicity & Website	Activity	1,482	1,231	2,713
Support Costs		25,614	45,081	70,695
Governance Costs		17,619	121	17,740
		<u>214,810</u>	<u>235,762</u>	<u>450,572</u>
				£
Restricted Funds				437,374
Unrestricted Funds				19,443
				<u>456,817</u>
<b>Previous Year:</b>				
	Basis of allocation	Centre	Activity Zones	Total 2020
Employment Costs	Staff Time	6,457	-	6,457
Premises Costs		-	1,771	1,771
Shop Costs		1,619	-	1,619
		<u>8,076</u>	<u>1,771</u>	<u>9,847</u>
<b>Expenditure on Charitable Activities</b>				
Employment Costs	Staff Time	129,626	154,423	284,049
DBS Checks	Staff Time	106	197	303
Premises Costs	Activity	519	13,645	14,164
Volunteer Expenses	Activity	815	-	815
Staff Travel	Activity	130	165	295
Staff Training	Activity	891	-	891
Uniforms	Activity	1,473	-	1,473
Centre Activities	Activity	13,993	15,587	29,580
Partner Payments	Activity	-	46,035	46,035
Community Events	Activity	4,008	6,743	10,751
Beneficiary Training (inc £2,955 salaries)		6,580	-	6,580
Murals	Activity	-	3,450	3,450
Subscriptions	Activity	693	691	1,384
Publicity & Website	Activity	107	1,602	1,709
Support Costs		32,461	39,650	72,111
Governance Costs		17,615	3,015	20,630
		<u>209,017</u>	<u>285,203</u>	<u>494,220</u>
				498,638
Restricted Funds				5,429
Unrestricted Funds				<u>504,067</u>

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021

7 ALLOCATION OF GOVERNANCE AND SUPPORT COSTS

		General Support	Governance	Total 2021	Total 2020
		£	£	£	£
Employment Costs	Staff Time	21,308		21,308	22,787
Premises Costs	Activity	2,145		2,145	1,771
Donation In Kind - premises	Activity	3,800		3,800	3,800
Insurance	Activity	3,409		3,409	3,133
Cleaning	Activity	15,291		15,291	12,420
Equipment Leasing	Activity	1,583		1,583	1,869
Repairs & Renewals	Activity	1,725		1,725	2,170
Computer Maintenance	Activity	2,580		2,580	3,676
Minor Equipment & Software	Activity	751		751	1,947
Telephone & Internet	Activity	5,537		5,537	5,659
Post, Printing & Stationery	Activity	2,400		2,400	2,503
Sundries	Activity	374		374	595
Interest Paid		-		-	2
Payroll Services	Activity	2,034		2,034	2,142
Depreciation	Activity	7,758		7,758	7,637
Accountancy	Governance		4,546	4,546	4,540
Consultancy	Governance		7,669	7,669	10,727
Professional Fees - HR	Governance		5,525	5,525	5,363
		70,695	17,740	88,435	92,741

8 STAFF NUMBERS AND COSTS

Staff costs were as follows:

	2021	2020
	£	£
Salaries and wages	294,288	297,578
Social security costs	14,511	15,523
Pensions	4,940	3,147
	313,739	316,248

The charity employed 21 people during the year. The average number of employees during the year, was 20 and calculated on the basis of full time equivalents was as follows:

	2021	2020
	Number	Number
Management & Administration	2	2
Services	10	10
	12	12

Along with the trustees the key management personnel are the Centre manager and Operations manager. The total employment benefits, including employer pension contributions of the key management personnel were £57,890 (2020 £59,983). No employee has benefits in excess of £60,000.

9 AMOUNTS DUE UNDER OPERATING LEASE ARRANGEMENTS

	2021	2020
	£	£
Due within one year	3,600	3,600
Due within 2-5 years	6,000	9,600
	9,600	13,200

A lease of £3,800 per annum for use of the premises exists but to date the lessor has donated use in kind.

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10 TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Leasehold Improvements	Furniture & Equipment	Computer Equipment	Total
	£	£	£	£
<b>COST</b>				
At 1 April 2020	110,553	22,444	7,798	140,795
Additions	-	608	-	608
Disposals	-	-	-	-
At 31 March 2021	<u>110,553</u>	<u>23,052</u>	<u>7,798</u>	<u>141,403</u>
<b>DEPRECIATION</b>				
At 1 April 2020	34,402	18,295	6,093	58,790
Charge for Period	5,075	1,747	936	7,758
Disposals	-	-	-	-
At 31 March 2021	<u>39,477</u>	<u>20,042</u>	<u>7,029</u>	<u>66,548</u>
<b>NET BOOK VALUE</b>				
At 31 March 2021	<u>71,076</u>	<u>3,010</u>	<u>769</u>	<u>74,855</u>
At 31 March 2020	<u>76,151</u>	<u>4,149</u>	<u>1,705</u>	<u>82,005</u>

11 DEBTORS

	2021 £	2020 £
Other Debtors	12,346	13,737
Prepayments	1,833	1,997
	<u>14,179</u>	<u>15,734</u>

In 2021 £11,957 is restricted funds (2020 £13,487).

12 LIABILITIES: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2021 £	2020 £
Other Creditors	3,752	1,151
Other Taxes and Social Security Costs	1	4,498
Deferred Income	44,060	41,421
Accruals	29,743	14,916
	<u>77,556</u>	<u>61,986</u>

In 2021 £38,260 is restricted funds (2020 £39,973).

13 DEFERRED INCOME

	2021 £	2020 £
Deferred income comprises grants paid in advance (restricted income).		
Balance as at 1st April	41,421	45,638
Amount released to income earned from charitable activities	(36,930)	(45,638)
Amount deferred in the year	39,569	41,421
Balance as at 31st March	<u>44,060</u>	<u>41,421</u>

14 TRUSTEE REMUNERATION AND EXPENSES

No remuneration has been paid or is due to be paid to any of the trustees in respect of the period.  
No reimbursement of expenses has been made or is due to be made to any of the trustees in respect of the period.

15 CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

	2021 £	2020 £
At 31 March	nil	nil

## NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021

16 ANALYSIS OF CHARITABLE FUNDS	At 1st April 2020	Incoming Resources	Expenditure	Transfers	At 31st March 2021
<i>Analysis of Movement in Restricted Funds</i>	£	£	£	£	£
<b>Centre</b>					
Our Manchester VCS	-	58,051	(58,051)		-
Big Lottery - Reaching Communities *	4,306	91,530	(95,529)	(307)	-
Big Lottery - Covid	-	59,102	(59,112)	10	-
CAF Resilience Fund	-	24,098	(24,098)	-	-
Donation in Kind - premises costs	-	3,800	(3,800)		-
NIF - Christmas	-	2,150	(1,360)		790
NIF - Covid	-	2,946	(2,946)		-
We Love Manchester	-	2,250	(2,250)		-
NHS Manchester CCG - Flu Vaccine	-	1,401	(1,401)		-
HMRC - CJRS	-	7,887	(7,887)		-
<b>Learning Hub</b>					
Southways - Learning Hub	-	19,992	(19,992)		-
MCC - Work & Skills	-	5,000	(5,000)		-
<b>Young People &amp; Playschemes</b>					
Groundwork - Social Action Cohorts	-	-	(154)	154	-
Thrive	2,227	21,101	(22,616)		712
Young Manchester	1,655	64,447	(65,275)		827
Young Manchester - Science	291	-	-		291
Young People - Donations	71	50	-	(121)	-
Sport England	-	2,704	(750)		1,954
The Cooperative - Youth Activities	4,783	-	(4,780)		3
MCC Special Education Needs - NIF	130	-	(127)		3
MCC - Hate Crime	21	-	(21)		-
CYP	-	8,791	(1,811)		6,980
Young Manchester - Playscheme	515	9,942	(9,493)		964
Playscheme Donations & Other Income	714	-	-		714
<b>Older People &amp; Wellbeing</b>					
MCC Mcr Wellbeing Fund	-	953	(453)		500
MCC- Hate Crime	47	-	-		47
Southway - Winter Warmer	-	1,500	(933)		567
Southway - Uniforms	-	400	(239)		161
Southway - Music for Mindfulness	-	1,540	-		1,540
MCC - Time 4U	-	1,341	(615)		726
Buzz	-	910	(910)		-
Over 60's Contributions	2,330	64	(179)		2,215
Donations	-	307	-		307
MCC - Covid 19	-	350	(217)		133
Opens	(16)	39,940	(39,438)	(486)	-
South Neighbourhood Team - NIF - "The Den"	1,470	-	(173)		1,297
<b>Nursery</b>					
Hate Crime	88	-	-		88
Nursery Fees & Contributions	-	512	(509)		3
Out of School Club	-	1,561	(1,280)		281
	<b>18,632</b>	<b>434,620</b>	<b>(431,399)</b>	<b>(750)</b>	<b>21,103</b>
<b>Capital Funds</b>					
Veolia	30,530	-	(2,035)		28,495
Wates	13,637	-	(909)		12,728
MCC- S Mcr Regeneration	8,185	-	(545)		7,640
Early Years - Playground	16,762	-	(1,123)		15,639
Southway Donation in Kind	4,222	-	(463)		3,759
Opens	-	-	-	486	486
Reaching Communities	-	-	-	307	307
Nursery Capital (Co-op & Ford Britain)	1,800	-	(900)		900
	<b>75,136</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>(5,975)</b>	<b>793</b>	<b>69,954</b>
	<b>93,768</b>	<b>434,620</b>	<b>(437,374)</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>91,057</b>

## NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021

16 cont ...	At 1st April 2020 £	Incoming Resources £	Expenditure £	Transfers £	At 31st March 2021 £
<b>Restricted Funds from previous page</b>	93,768	434,620	(437,374)	43	91,057
<b>Analysis of Movement in Unrestricted Funds:</b>					
Designated Capital	4,866		(873)	233	4,226
Designated Funds					
MCC LRSG - Nursery	-	6,000	(6,000)	-	-
Good Things Foundation - Learning Hub	-	4,021	(2,159)	-	1,862
Big Life - Learning Hub	-	10,000	-	-	10,000
	<u>4,866</u>	<u>20,021</u>	<u>(9,032)</u>	<u>233</u>	<u>16,088</u>
General Funds	<u>70,186</u>	<u>95,432</u>	<u>(10,411)</u>	<u>(276)</u>	<u>154,931</u>
Total Unrestricted Funds	<u>75,052</u>	<u>115,453</u>	<u>(19,443)</u>	<u>(43)</u>	<u>171,019</u>
Total Funds	<u>168,820</u>	<u>550,073</u>	<u>(456,817)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>262,076</u>

**Third Party Grants**

BMCA received third party grants of £300 during the year. As BMCA were merely acting as a conduit for these funds and not accountable for them, the figures have not been reflected in income or expenditure. Other grants administered for third parties are shown on the previous page.

At 31st March 2021 BMCA held £1,200 on behalf of The Primary Partnership Team and £300 for other groups..

## NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021

16 (cont...) Previous Year

	At 1st April 2019	Incoming Resources	Expenditure	Transfers	At 31st March 2020
	£	£	£	£	£
<b>ANALYSIS OF CHARITABLE FUNDS</b>					
<i>Analysis of Movement in Restricted Funds</i>					
<b>Centre</b>					
Our Manchester VCS	-	58,051	(58,051)	-	-
Big Lottery - Reaching Communities	19,425	119,153	(134,272)	-	4,306
The Henry Smith Charity	-	13,700	(13,700)	-	-
Donation in Kind - premises costs	-	3,800	(3,800)	-	-
Southway - Events	-	1,900	(1,900)	-	-
MCC- Merseyfest	-	2,000	(2,000)	-	-
MCC - Food Poverty & Fareshare	-	725	(725)	-	-
Third Party Grants	2,411	(159)	(2,252)	-	-
<b>Learning Hub</b>					
Southways - Learning Hub	-	19,992	(19,992)	-	-
Wates - Learning Hub	2,010	5,000	(7,010)	-	-
Big Life	-	10,000	(10,000)	-	-
MCC - NIF Learning Hub	148	-	(148)	-	-
MCC - Work & Skills	-	7,500	(7,500)	-	-
Southway - I.T.	1,800	-	(1,800)	-	-
Learning Hub - other income	-	1,315	(5,972)	4,657	-
<b>Young People &amp; Playschemes</b>					
Groundwork - Social Action Cohorts	4,836	15,025	(19,861)	-	-
Thrive	-	7,620	(5,393)	-	2,227
Young Manchester	2,358	90,265	(90,968)	-	1,655
Young Manchester - Science	-	500	(209)	-	291
Young People - Donations	-	71	-	-	71
Southway - Youth Activities	3,070	-	(3,070)	-	-
The Cooperative - Youth Activities	-	4,783	-	-	4,783
MCC Special Education Needs - NIF	-	2,408	(2,278)	-	130
MCC - Hate Crime	-	500	(479)	-	21
MCC - Mural	1,650	-	(1,650)	-	-
MCC Playscheme	404	-	(404)	-	-
Young Manchester - Playscheme	2,251	9,773	(11,509)	-	515
Playscheme Donations & Other Income	204	510	-	-	714
<b>Older People &amp; Wellbeing</b>					
MCC Mcr Wellbeing Fund	-	2,500	(2,500)	-	-
MCC- Hate Crime	-	500	(453)	-	47
Forever Manchester	-	200	(200)	-	-
MCC Mcr Wellbeing Fund - Christmas Day Meal	-	500	(500)	-	-
NHS - Winter Warmer	-	396	(396)	-	-
Fundraising & Donations	-	328	(328)	-	-
Over 60's Contributions	2,755	4,194	(4,619)	-	2,330
OPeNS	-	-	(16)	-	(16)
South Neighbourhood Team - NIF - "The Den"	-	3,000	(1,530)	-	1,470
<b>Nursery</b>					
MCC - Free Entitlement etc	-	43,919	(43,919)	-	-
Special Educaion Needs	-	1,715	(1,715)	-	-
Hate Crime	276	500	(688)	-	88
Nursery Fundraising & Donations	-	146	(146)	-	-
Nursery Fees & Contributions	6,345	1,524	(18,074)	10,205	-
Out of School Club	-	11,306	(11,661)	355	-
Marks & Spencer plc	-	500	(500)	-	-
MCC- NIF	-	475	(475)	-	-
	<b>49,943</b>	<b>446,135</b>	<b>(492,663)</b>	<b>15,217</b>	<b>18,632</b>
<b>Capital Funds</b>					
Veolia	32,565	-	(2,035)	-	30,530
Wates	14,546	-	(909)	-	13,637
MCC- S Mcr Regeneration	8,730	-	(545)	-	8,185
Early Years - Playground	17,885	-	(1,123)	-	16,762
Southway Donation in Kind	4,685	-	(463)	-	4,222
Nursery Capital (Co-op & Ford Britain)	2,700	-	(900)	-	1,800
	<b>81,111</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>(5,975)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>75,136</b>
	<b>131,054</b>	<b>446,135</b>	<b>(498,638)</b>	<b>15,217</b>	<b>93,768</b>

## NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021

16 cont ...	At 1st April 2019	Incoming Resources	Expenditure	Transfers	At 31st March 2020
	£	£	£	£	£
<b>Restricted Funds from previous page</b>	131,054	446,135	(498,638)	15,217	93,768
<b>Analysis of Movement in Unrestricted Funds:</b>					
Designated Capital	5,358		(873)	381	4,866
General Funds	58,420	31,920	(4,556)	(15,598)	70,186
	<u>63,778</u>	<u>31,920</u>	<u>(5,429)</u>	<u>(15,217)</u>	<u>75,052</u>
Total Funds	<u>194,832</u>	<u>478,055</u>	<u>(504,067)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>168,820</u>

**Third Party Grants**

BMCA received and paid out third party grants of £6,300 during the year. As BMCA were merely acting as a conduit for these funds and not accountable for them, the figures have not been reflected in income or expenditure. Other grants administered for third parties are shown on the previous page.

**17 ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS BETWEEN FUNDS**

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2021
	£	£	£
Tangible Fixed Assets	4,866	69,989	74,855
Net Current Assets	166,153	21,068	187,221
	<u>171,019</u>	<u>91,057</u>	<u>262,076</u>
Previous Year	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2019
	£	£	£
Tangible Fixed Assets	4,866	77,139	82,005
Net Current Assets	70,186	16,629	86,815
	<u>75,052</u>	<u>93,768</u>	<u>168,820</u>

**18 FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS**

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

**19 RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS**

Wages and pension contribution in respect of daughter of J Mrozek (centre manager until 31.3.21)

£11,169

**20 GOING CONCERN**

The company's main source of income is grant funding and rental income. The trustees consider that it is appropriate to prepare the accounts on a going concern basis and, consequently, the accounts do not include any adjustments that would be necessary if the funding income should cease. Following the securing of specific grants in response to the Covid pandemic, and the continuing support of funders the trustees are confident that the Centre remains a going concern, despite a short term drop in self-generated income.

**21 POST BALANCE SHEET EVENTS**

The trustees consider that, with the exception of the Covid pandemic, there are no significant post balance sheet events that impact on the financial statements as presented. As well as adapting permitted activities the Centre is planning to restart the remaining activities when Government restrictions are eased.

**22 CONTROL OF THE COMPANY**

Control of the company lies with the volunteer trustees named on Page 1.