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**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AND
UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 OCTOBER 2020
FOR
THE COOPERS EDGE TRUST**

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**REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 OCTOBER 2020**

TRUSTEES

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REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 OCTOBER 2020

The trustees who are also directors of the charity for the purposes of the Companies Act 2006, present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 October 2020. The trustees have adopted the provisions of 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).

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Objectives and aims

The charity's objects, as defined in its Articles of Association, are to advance the education of the pupils at Coopers Edge School, it being acknowledged that, in carrying out the Objects, the company must have regard to its obligation to promote community cohesion under the Education Acts.

The Coopers Edge Trust is a community-led organisation, which operates the new primary school in Coopers Edge. The organisation was formed as a result of a successful proposal from the Community Edge Community Group and the Robinswood Trust.

The trust aims to provide all members of the Coopers Edge community with opportunities to achieve their full potential. We want to provide all residents, regardless of their social background, with the opportunity to:

- be healthy;
- live in a safe community;
- enjoy and achieve, through training and education available to all ages;
- make a positive contribution to the community; and
- achieve economic wellbeing.

Significant activities

The main areas of charitable activity can be broken down into four key streams:

- community organising;
- financial stability of residents;
- development of health and well-being services; and
- improved community engagement.

As a new neighbourhood there are currently very low levels of social capital, so the charity's immediate activities are focused on creating opportunities to strengthen pro-social relationships between neighbours, whilst improving access to local services. Through community organising the Trust will promote resilience across the community by improving access to services and strengthening ties between friends, families and neighbours.

With 30% of social housing on the development, the Trust's intention is to provide workshops and services to help people improve in this area and to give them the skills and confidence to improve their chances of employment. This work stream also extends to promoting and distributing seed funding for social enterprise. By offering residents pump prime funding and training in starting up businesses, the Trust hopes to encourage the growth of social enterprises, thus contributing to employment and neighbourhood prosperity.

The provision of health and well-being services includes workshops for a range of child care issues. Furthermore, the trustees recognise the role sport can play in bringing people together, so this work stream will also create opportunities for people of all ages to participate in sport and fitness activities.

Public benefit

In planning the charity's activities for the period the trustees kept in mind the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit. The focus of the charity's activities during the period, which explains the delivery by the charity of public benefit, is set out below under 'Achievement and performance' and above under 'Objectives and aims'.

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ACHIEVEMENT AND PERFORMANCE

Charitable activities

This year has been unprecedented for all and the focus of the Trust in this year changed drastically to ensuring that we can come out the other end of the pandemic as unscathed as possible. Many of the goals and targets we had set in the previous year have had to be shelved while the whole country worked together to Stay Home, Protect the NHS and Save Lives.

This year was a year of 2 halves, Pre-Lockdown (November to March) and Post-Lockdown (April to October).

During the 1st half of the year, we increased the levels of usage of the centre compared to the previous year and also increased upon ours profits for the same period in 18-19.

However, once lockdown and restrictions came into place, reduced capacity meant we had a sharp drop off in both centre usage and income from hires and café sales. Some of this was ameliorated by government support for business during the pandemic.

We expected a period of consolidation in 19-20, building upon the growth in 18-19. Whilst this was the case early in the year, the pandemic has meant this growth was curtailed. We hope to be able to pick up where we left off, as of March 2020. Should this be the case we predict that the centre will still make its way into profitability in the 21-22 financial year as envisioned in last years report

What we achieved during 2019-2020:

- continued to operate the community centre when appropriate (see Community Centre Annual Report below)
- supported the community as conditions allowed
- supported the Coopers Edge School, sharing resources to ensure the school could continue to support the community
- arranged support for the community during the pandemic (deliveries and other errands)
- began an informal working relationship with Brockworth Parish Council
- began an informal working relationship with The Long Table (community food provision cooperative)

An area that we all wish to improve is the reach to community members who are childless. This is a demographic who we rarely see currently.

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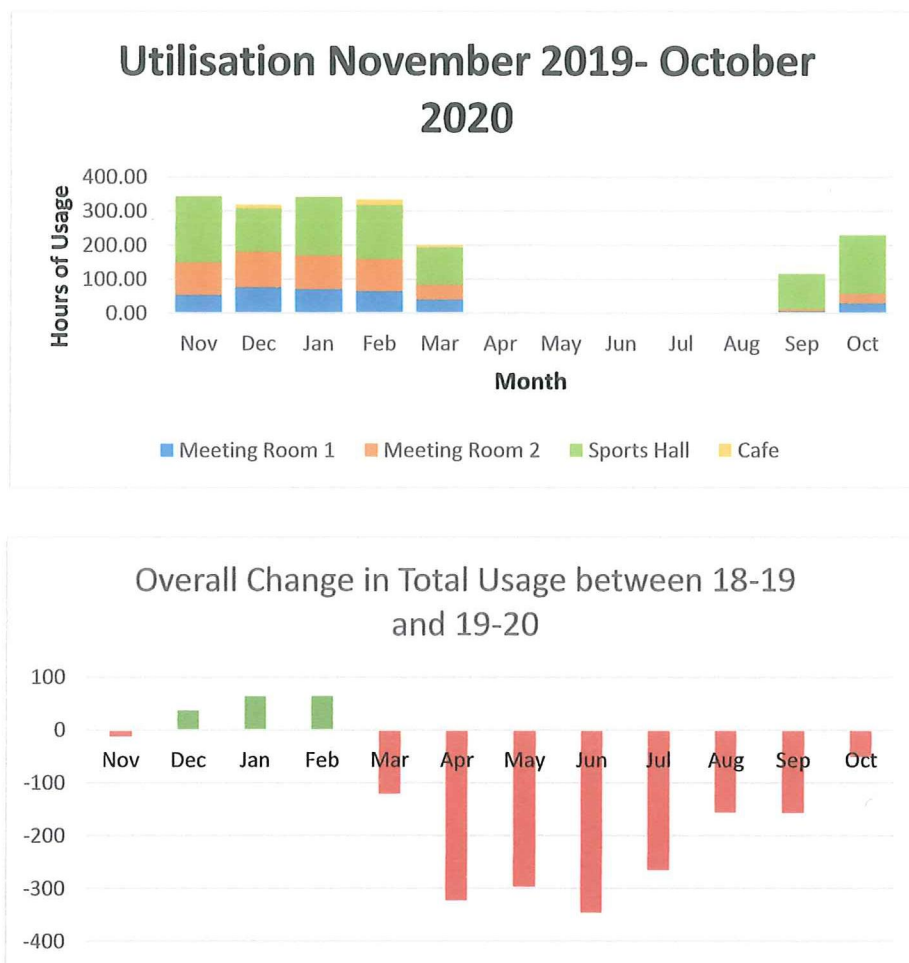
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Community Centre Annual Report

This year has been a difficult year, with unforeseen challenges brought on by the pandemic.

Utilisation / usage

The below graph shows the utilisation in hours of the community centre between November 2019 to October 2020. It is difficult to recognise a pattern of usage, due to the impact of lockdown and restrictions. The centre was closed for all of April to August, hence the lack of use. March reduced as people began to change their behaviour based upon the impact of Covid 19 and lockdown began. This change in behaviour continued to be a factor once we reopened in September. Below is this year's utilisation figures and a comparison of these with the previous year's usage.

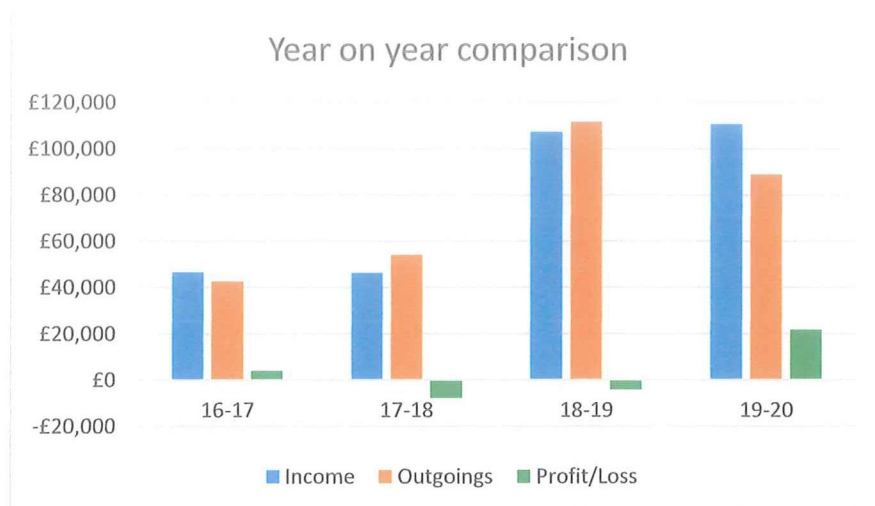


As shown in the above graph, total usage was increasing prior to Covid 19 and we hope to be able to get back to this point once "normality" resumes in what is predicted to be June 2021.

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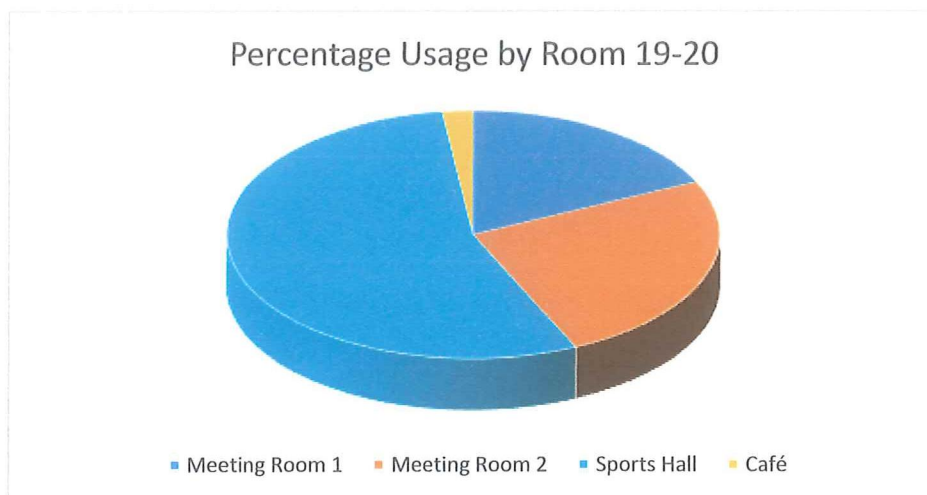
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Income and expenditure



Although we have shown a profit for the year this is predominantly due to reduced costs during the pandemic, due to the furlough scheme and government support for affected businesses. However, for the period of time before lockdown 1 (up until mid-March 2020), we had increased our profit compared to the same period in 2018-2019.

Percentage of use by room



The above shows clearly that the sports hall is still the main driver in terms of bookings with 55% of the bookings. The two meeting rooms only account for 18% and 25% of the bookings. The Café in this case makes up only 2% of bookings.

Due to a saturated level of hires in the evening in the Sports Hall, we are often having to turn down evening hirers as we do not have the space for them. As such we are continuing to promote daytime bookings in the Sports Hall and are looking at other uses for the Meeting Rooms, in order to increase their usage. We hope that if people remain working from home after the pandemic, this will give opportunities for accessible activities to run in the day, filling empty hire time. This is something to be developed in 2020-2021.

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REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 OCTOBER 2020

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Financial position

The results for the period are shown in the attached financial statements.

Due to a lack of available funding to bid for and the more complex youth work requirements in Coopers Edge no additional youth work has been undertaken this year. We hope to be able to establish provision in the new community centre in partnership with local councils to ease the financial burden on the trust.

Reserves policy

The Trustee Board has agreed that £10,000 of reserves should be held to support the next years planned activities. The Board consider that the Trust's reserves at 31 October 2019 are adequate.

Financial relationship with Coopers Edge School

For the purposes of clarity these financial statements do not record any transactions of Coopers Edge School, as the charity is not presently responsible for the running of the school.

FUTURE DEVELOPMENTS

What we hope to achieve in the next financial year:

- re-establish the centre as a community hub for people to meet and socialise in person;
- build the cafe and centre income and utilisation back to pre-Covid levels;
- continue to develop our working partnerships with The Long Table and Brockworth Parish Council;
- build relationships with Upton St Leonards and Hucclecote Parish Councils;
- review the first 5 years operations of the community centre to consider how we take this operation forward;
- provide continuing support to the development of the new sports facilities being built in the community;
- work with Councils, developers and the community to ensure long term provision of further community facilities and services in Coopers Edge particularly the allotments on Merlin Close;
- empower the local community to develop their own resources and resilience, in order to grow as individuals and a community;
- recruit further trustees to the Board;
- build a pool of volunteers to assist with day-to-day tasks and also one-off events to be held at the community centre;
- continue to support the growth and development of Coopers Edge School.

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STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

The charity is controlled by its governing document, the Articles of Association dated 14 October 2010, and constitutes a limited company, limited by guarantee, as defined by the Companies Act 2006.

The Articles of Association have been amended by special resolutions on 19 June 2011 and 23 June 2011.

Recruitment and appointment of new trustees

New trustees are appointed by their 'sponsoring' organisation (see below under 'organisational structure').

Organisational structure

Subject to any restrictions imposed by the Education Acts, membership of the Trust is open to any other individuals or organisations interested in promoting the Objects of the charity who:

- are approved by the Trustees following the approval of the governing body of Coopers Edge Primary School; and
- sign the register of members or consent in writing to become a member either personally or (in the case of an organisation) through an authorised representative.

The trustees of the charity are also directors of the company and under the company's constitution are known as members of the Trustee Board. The number of Trustees cannot be less than two or more than twelve.

The Trustee Board is currently made up of:

- one Trustee appointed by the Robinswood Trust;
- two Trustees appointed by the Coopers Edge Community Group; and
- two Trustees appointed by the governing body of Coopers Edge Primary School.

Induction and training of new trustees

Trustees have a wide range of public and private sector expertise, including education, financial and sales and management skills. Where trustee training needs are identified, appropriate courses are provided.

Risk management

The trustees have a duty to identify and review the risks to which the charity is exposed and to ensure appropriate controls are in place to provide reasonable assurance against fraud and error.

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REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 OCTOBER 2020

STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES

The trustees (who are also the directors of The Coopers Edge Trust for the purposes of company law) are responsible for preparing the Report of the Trustees and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice) including Financial Reporting Standard 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland"

Company law requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the 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 those financial statements, the trustees are required to

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charity SORP;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charitable company will continue in business.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charitable company 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 charitable company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Approved by order of the board of trustees on 29 June 2021 and signed on its behalf by:



A P Shackell - Trustee

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF THE COOPERS EDGE TRUST

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of The Coopers Edge Trust ('the Company')

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Company for the year ended 31 October 2020.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity's trustees of the Company (and also its directors for the purposes of company law) you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 ('the 2006 Act').

Having satisfied myself that the accounts of the Company are not required to be audited under Part 16 of the 2006 Act and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of your charity's accounts as carried out under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 ('the 2011 Act'). In carrying out my examination I have followed the Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5) (b) of the 2011 Act.

Independent examiner's statement

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

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Company as required by section 386 of the 2006 Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the 2006 Act other than any requirement that the accounts give a true and fair view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination; or
4. the accounts have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities (applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102)).

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



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29 June 2021

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**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 OCTOBER 2020**

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted funds £	31.10.20 Total funds £	31.10.19 Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM					
Charitable activities	3				
Charitable		47,821	-	47,821	10,500
Other trading activities	2	<u>50,983</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>50,983</u>	<u>94,979</u>
Total		98,804	-	98,804	105,479
EXPENDITURE ON					
Charitable activities	4				
Charitable		89,168	-	89,168	110,329
		<u>89,168</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>89,168</u>	<u>110,329</u>
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)		9,636	-	9,636	(4,850)
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Total funds brought forward		23,403	-	23,403	28,253
		<u>23,403</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>23,403</u>	<u>28,253</u>
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		<u>33,039</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>33,039</u>	<u>23,403</u>

The notes form part of these financial statements

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

31 OCTOBER 2020

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted funds £	31.10.20 Total funds £	31.10.19 Total funds £
CURRENT ASSETS					
Debtors	9	3,913	-	3,913	3,766
Cash at bank		<u>40,448</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>40,448</u>	<u>31,916</u>
		44,361	-	44,361	35,682
CREDITORS					
Amounts falling due within one year	10	<u>(11,322)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(11,322)</u>	<u>(12,279)</u>
NET CURRENT ASSETS		<u>33,039</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>33,039</u>	<u>23,403</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		<u>33,039</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>33,039</u>	<u>23,403</u>
NET ASSETS		<u>33,039</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>33,039</u>	<u>23,403</u>
FUNDS	11				
Unrestricted funds				<u>33,039</u>	<u>23,403</u>
TOTAL FUNDS				<u>33,039</u>	<u>23,403</u>

The charitable company is entitled to exemption from audit under Section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 for the year ended 31 October 2020.

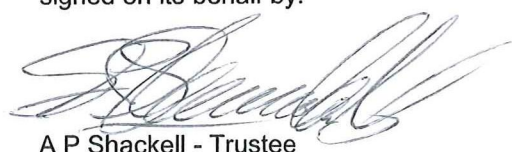
The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year ended 31 October 2020 in accordance with Section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

The trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for

- (a) ensuring that the charitable company keeps accounting records that comply with Sections 386 and 387 of the Companies Act 2006 and
- (b) preparing financial statements which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company as at the end of each financial year and of its surplus or deficit for each financial year in accordance with the requirements of Sections 394 and 395 and which otherwise comply with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 relating to financial statements, so far as applicable to the charitable company.

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to charitable companies subject to the small companies regime.

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 29 June 2021 and were signed on its behalf by:



A P Shackell - Trustee

The notes form part of these financial statements

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 OCTOBER 2020

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparing the financial statements

The financial statements of the charitable company, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) '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)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Companies Act 2006. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

Income

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

Expenditure

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 a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

Taxation

The charity is exempt from corporation tax on its charitable activities.

Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

Restricted funds can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the financial statements.

2. OTHER TRADING ACTIVITIES

	31.10.20	31.10.19
	£	£
Fundraising events	-	2,414
Facility hire	21,823	38,925
Cafe income	<u>29,160</u>	<u>53,640</u>
	<u>50,983</u>	<u>94,979</u>

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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
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3. INCOME FROM CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

		31.10.20	31.10.19
	Activity	£	£
Grants	Charitable	<u>47,821</u>	<u>10,500</u>

Grants received, included in the above, are as follows:

	31.10.20	31.10.19
	£	£
Stroud District Council	12,000	10,500
Sports England - COVID Finance	3,462	-
Coronavirus Job Retention Scheme Grant	7,359	-
Stroud District Council - Covid Business Support Grant	<u>25,000</u>	<u>-</u>
	<u>47,821</u>	<u>10,500</u>

4. CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES COSTS

	Direct Costs (see note 5) £	Support costs (see note 6) £	Totals £
Charitable	<u>88,315</u>	<u>853</u>	<u>89,168</u>

5. DIRECT COSTS OF CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	31.10.20	31.10.19
	£	£
Bought in Services	40,469	41,393
Sundries	2,730	1,356
Insurance	875	907
Advertising and marketing inc website	180	634
Cleaning	2,122	1,790
IT software and consumables	702	715
Repairs and maintenance	3,454	3,843
Light and heat	5,872	9,256
Telephone and TV costs	1,169	1,250
Water rates	799	324
Cafe expenses	<u>29,943</u>	<u>48,068</u>
	<u>88,315</u>	<u>109,536</u>

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6. SUPPORT COSTS

	Governance costs
	£
Charitable	<u>853</u>

7. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 31 October 2020 nor for the year ended 31 October 2019.

Trustees' expenses

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 31 October 2020 nor for the year ended 31 October 2019.

8. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted funds £	Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM			
Charitable activities			
Charitable	10,500	-	10,500
Other trading activities	<u>94,979</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>94,979</u>
Total	105,479	-	105,479
 EXPENDITURE ON			
Charitable activities			
Charitable	110,329	-	110,329
	<u>110,329</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>110,329</u>
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)	(4,850)	-	(4,850)
 RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS			
Total funds brought forward	28,253	-	28,253
	<u>28,253</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>28,253</u>
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	<u>23,403</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>23,403</u>

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9. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	31.10.20	31.10.19
	£	£
Debtors	<u>3,913</u>	<u>3,766</u>

10. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	31.10.20	31.10.19
	£	£
Creditors	<u>11,322</u>	<u>12,279</u>

11. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 1.11.19 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31.10.20 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	23,403	9,636	33,039
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TOTAL FUNDS	<u>23,403</u>	<u>9,636</u>	<u>33,039</u>

Net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	98,804	(89,168)	9,636
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TOTAL FUNDS	<u>98,804</u>	<u>(89,168)</u>	<u>9,636</u>

Comparatives for movement in funds

	At 1.11.18 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31.10.19 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	28,253	(4,850)	23,403
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TOTAL FUNDS	<u>28,253</u>	<u>(4,850)</u>	<u>23,403</u>

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11. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

Comparative net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	105,479	(110,329)	(4,850)
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TOTAL FUNDS	<u>105,479</u>	<u>(110,329)</u>	<u>(4,850)</u>

12. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

There were no related party transactions for the year ended 31 October 2020.