

West Bowling Youth Initiative

Charity number 1143500

A company limited by guarantee number 07232840

Annual Report and Financial Statements for the year ended 31 March 2025



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Trustees' report for the year ended 31 March 2025

Reference and administrative details of the charity, its trustees and advisors

The trustees during the financial year and up to and including the date the report was approved were:

Name	Position	Dates
Peter Tate	Chair	
Nazmin Din	Secretary	
Greg Lucas	Treasurer	
Adeil Mir		
Mohammed Shehzad		
Graham Griffiths		
Mohammed Ayub		
Fatima Mahmood		Appointed 29 October 2024

Charity number 1143500 Registered in England and Wales

Company number 07232840 Registered in England and Wales

Registered and principal address	Bankers
West Bowling Youth Initiative	Virgin Money
Parkside Road	14 Broadway
West Bowling	Bradford
Bradford	BD1 1EZ
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Independent examiner

Simon Bostrom FCIE

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Structure, governance and management

The charity is a company limited by guarantee and was formed on 23 April 2010. It is governed by a memorandum and articles of association as amended by special resolution on 12 April 2011. The liability of the members in the event of the company being wound up is limited to a sum not exceeding £10.

Method of recruitment and appointment of trustees

The trustees of the charity are also the directors for the purposes of company law and are appointed by the members at the AGM.

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Trustees' report (continued) for the year ended 31 March 2025

Objectives and activities

The charity's objects

To act as a resource for young people aged 8-25 living in West Bowling, Bradford, by providing advice and assistance and organising programmes of physical, educational and other activities as a means of:

- a) Advancing in life and helping young people by developing their skills, capacities and capabilities to enable them to participate in society as independent, mature and responsible individuals.
- b) Advancing education.
- c) Relieving unemployment.
- d) Providing recreational and leisure time activity in the interests of social welfare for people living in the area of benefit who have need by reason of their youth, age, infirmity or disability, poverty or social and economic circumstances with a view to improving the conditions of life of such persons.

The charity's main activities

West Bowling Youth Initiative offers resources for young people through education, employment and volunteering opportunities. WBYI offers a range of community activities that support and enable young people to take on new challenges, develop skills and take ownership of community resources. WBYI's project workers and young volunteers support children and young people to design and deliver community activities thereby increasing personal and social welfare of residents in the BD5 and surrounding area.

Public benefit statement

In setting our objectives and planning our activities our trustees have given serious consideration to the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit and in particular the advancement of education; relieving unemployment amongst young people and building skills and capabilities of young people through community and youth engagement programmes.

Achievements and performance

Working to relieve unemployment in BD5:

WBYI secured the Community grants funding to run a jobs support programme managed by Groundwork UK and funded by West Yorkshire Combined Authority. WBYI supported 12 unemployed men and women on the short programme that provided one to one support, certified training and digital skills sessions. The group were more confident at the end of the programme and two members moved into paid employment, whilst others were happier and more positive after their jobs support experience at WBYI.

Wharfedale Foundation funded a two year programme titled Skills for life which introduced volunteering opportunities to local people; Green skills activities; women's employability and jobsearch sessions; CV writing and job application. WBYI aimed to support unemployed and low skilled young adults towards better future job prospects. Project workers connected with 33 jobseekers through one to one activities and regular skills workshops. The Skills for Life activity provided support and confidence building activity to enable local people to move towards better employment and training.

Promoting Mental Wellbeing

The Mental Wellbeing project was funded by Bradford Council's Public health programme. During the period WBYI delivered both men's and women's health activities including park walks, regular drop in wellbeing sessions for men and women; environment group activities working with a range of community health partners. WBYI engaged 54 men and women on the programme with the majority feeling positive and returning to programme activities.

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Achievements and performance continued

Active Travel – The Active Travel work involved running walking groups for both men and women to improve health and wellbeing of local people. The project funded training for six Leaders to complete the NHS walk leader Level 2 course run by North East Activities Training. The walk leader's course involved six outdoor sessions after completing six indoor workshops. The walk leaders will then work with new groups to promote healthy lifestyles by encouraging walking in and around local woods, parks and the countryside surrounding Bradford.

Breaking the Cycle (BTC)

BTC a Partnership programme has started with two established groups, Osmani Trust (London) and Dreamchasers (Birmingham). WBYI has completed due diligence to be part of the national partnership, then conducted a youth survey in Bradford to support the BTC long term objectives. The partnership will look at substantial funding over the coming year through major donors or charities. WBYI set up its own Youth steering group and attended a youth steering group event in London on February 2025 that involved all three groups from London, Birmingham and Bradford. The groups interacted through focused youth leadership workshops and teambuilding tasks. The Youth steering aims are to identify young leaders to oversee the project and at the same time build individuals confidence, skills and a sense of ownership of the Breaking the Cycle programme.

Household Support Fund – Bradford Council

WBYI continued to provide food parcels in the year delivering 470 parcels to local families in need. We offered families other support through the Jobs support work at WBYI, kid's club holiday activity for primary age groups. The HSF work has supported nearly fifty vulnerable people and families.

The LEAP (Community Place Partners)

WBYI through the Community place partners funding WBYI set up the Creative Minds programmes to enable local people to build ideas and projects funding by the LEAP. WBYI enabled men and women to run arts and culture themed projects with support from WBYI staff and volunteers to build community arts projects. The funding through local small grants enabled individuals to grow art and culture ideas and develop skills in project management, finances and networking.

Give Bradford BD25 - Sparks for Arts

WBYI delivered a community Big Arts show event at the end of July 2024 featuring circus acts and a number of local artists. The event was attended by 250 people on the cricket field at Bowling Old Lane CC. This was a summer family fun day included a diverse range of families who were able to enjoy ice creams, an affordable BBQ with drinks and lots of children's entertainment on offer.

Financial review

The net expenditure for the year was £15,055, including net expenditure of £12,099 on unrestricted funds and net expenditure of £2,956 on restricted funds.

Reserves policy

The charity's free reserves, excluding fixed assets, at the year end were £23,217.

WBYI Trustees has reviewed need for reserves in line with guidance issued by the Charity Commission. WBYI needs reserves in order to:

- 1 meet redundancy liabilities should WBYI have to close;
- 2 ensure there are sufficient cash reserves in the current account to cover day to day running costs;
- 3 ensure continuity of service provision by:
 - meeting unexpected costs such as cover for illness or maternity leave, etc.;
 - covering running costs during periods of lower income (e.g. while adjusting to changes or following falls in fundraising)
- 4 replace equipment as it wears out and carry out necessary repairs and building maintenance at our base ;

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Trustees' report (continued) for the year ended 31 March 2025

Reserves policy continued

5 relocate from its current location and premises

In calculating these amounts, WBYI assumes the following:

Upper limit to be set at (unrestricted reserves) £ 40,000 to cover all liabilities and a lower limit set at £15,000

Salaries and roles as at September 2025.

12 weeks' notice for all staff.

No redundancy payments for staff members with less than 2 years of service.

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Trustees' report (continued) for the year ended 31 March 2025

Statement of trustees' responsibilities

The trustees (who are also the directors for the purposes of company law) are responsible for preparing the Trustees report and the financial statements in accordance with the applicable law and UK Accounting Standards.

Company law requires the trustees to prepare financial accounts 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 the year. In preparing these financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently;

- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;

- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;

- state whether applicable UK accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;

- prepare the accounts on a going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charitable company will continue in operation.

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 accounts comply with the Companies Act 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

This report has been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities (Charities SORP (FRS102)), and in accordance with the special provisions of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

Approved by the board of trustees on 24/10/2025

Peter Tate (Trustee)

West Bowling Youth Initiative

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of West Bowling Youth Initiative

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the charitable company for the year ended 31 March 2025, which are set out on pages 8 to 14.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity's trustees of the charitable 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 charitable 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 ('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 material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

- 1 accounting records were not kept in respect of the 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.

Simon Bostrom FCIE

24/10/2025

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Statement of Financial Activities
(including summary income and expenditure account)
for the year ended 31 March 2025

	Notes	2025 Unrestricted funds £	2025 Restricted funds £	2025 Total funds £	2024 Total funds £
Income from:					
Grants, commissioning and donations	(2)	-	80,954	80,954	92,299
Fees and charges		6,581	-	6,581	10,860
Total income		<u>6,581</u>	<u>80,954</u>	<u>87,535</u>	<u>103,159</u>
Expenditure on:					
Salaries, NIC's and pension	(3)	13,071	36,602	49,673	49,136
Payroll costs		-	342	342	376
Travel and subsistence		118	378	496	150
Events and activities		2,494	32,332	34,826	37,564
Premises and overheads		412	8,454	8,866	9,257
Equipment and materials		174	1,053	1,227	2,145
Independent examination		192	600	792	792
Insurance		12	742	754	784
Committee and volunteer expenses		130	222	352	1,756
Publicity and promotion		100	985	1,085	1,039
Depreciation		1,805	-	1,805	1,805
Staff training		172	720	892	60
Freelance workers		-	1,480	1,480	-
Total expenditure		<u>18,680</u>	<u>83,910</u>	<u>102,590</u>	<u>104,864</u>
Net income / (expenditure)		<u>(12,099)</u>	<u>(2,956)</u>	<u>(15,055)</u>	<u>(1,705)</u>
Fund balances brought forward		<u>37,261</u>	<u>38,098</u>	<u>75,359</u>	<u>77,064</u>
Fund balances carried forward	(4)	<u>25,162</u>	<u>35,142</u>	<u>60,304</u>	<u>75,359</u>

All incoming resources and resources expended derive from continuing activities.

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Balance sheet

as at 31 March 2025

		2025	2025	2025	2024
		Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Total
		£	£	£	£
Fixed assets					
Tangible assets	(5)	1,945	-	1,945	3,750
Total fixed assets		<u>1,945</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,945</u>	<u>3,750</u>
Current assets					
Debtors and prepayments	(6)	320	19,000	19,320	15,332
Cash at bank and in hand	(7)	23,689	16,142	39,831	57,069
Total current assets		<u>24,009</u>	<u>35,142</u>	<u>59,151</u>	<u>72,401</u>
Current liabilities:					
amounts falling due within one year					
Creditors and accruals	(8)	792	-	792	792
Total current liabilities		<u>792</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>792</u>	<u>792</u>
Net current assets / (liabilities)		<u>23,217</u>	<u>35,142</u>	<u>58,359</u>	<u>71,609</u>
Net assets		<u>25,162</u>	<u>35,142</u>	<u>60,304</u>	<u>75,359</u>
Funds					
Unrestricted funds		25,162	-	25,162	37,261
Restricted funds		-	35,142	35,142	38,098
Total funds		<u>25,162</u>	<u>35,142</u>	<u>60,304</u>	<u>75,359</u>

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

The members have not required the charitable company to obtain an audit of its accounts for the year in question in accordance with section 476. The trustees (who are also the directors for the purposes of company law) 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 and with FRS 102 (effective January 2019).

The financial statements were approved by the board of trustees on 24/10/2025

Peter Tate (Trustee)

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Notes to the accounts

for the year ended 31 March 2025

1 Accounting policies

Basis of accounting

These accounts have been prepared under the historical cost convention with items recognised at cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant note(s) 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 1 January 2019) and with the Charities Act 2011.

The charity constitutes a public benefit entity as defined by FRS 102.

There has been no change to the accounting policies since last year.

No changes have been made to the accounts for previous years.

Going concern

The trustees are satisfied that there are no material uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue.

Incoming resources

All incoming resources are included in the Statement of Financial Activities (SOFA) when the charity becomes entitled to the resources, if it is more likely than not that the trustees will receive the resources and the monetary value can be measured with sufficient reliability.

Grants and donations

Grants and donations are only included in the SOFA when the charity has unconditional entitlement to the resources.

Where grants are related to performance and specific deliverables, they are accounted for as the charity earns the right to consideration by its performance.

Expenditure and liabilities

Expenditure is recognised on an accrual basis as a liability is incurred. Liabilities are recognised where it is more likely than not that there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to pay out the resources and the amount of the obligation can be measured with reasonable certainty.

Taxation

As a charity the organisation benefits from rates relief and is generally exempt from income tax and capital gains tax but not from VAT. Irrecoverable VAT is included in the cost of those items to which it relates.

Pensions

The charity operates a defined contribution scheme for the benefit of its employees. The costs of contributions are recognised in the year they are payable.

Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the charity.

Restricted funds are subjected to restrictions on their expenditure imposed by the donor or through the terms of an appeal.

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

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Notes to the accounts continued

for the year ended 31 March 2025

2 Grants and donations	2025 Unrestricted funds £	2025 Restricted funds £	2025 Total funds £	2024 Total funds £
City of Bradford Met. District Council (CBMDC)	-	36,424	36,424	47,019
Groundwork UK	-	16,030	16,030	-
Give Bradford	-	14,500	14,500	-
Osmani Trust	-	4,000	4,000	-
West Yorks Comb. Authority	-	5,000	5,000	-
Wharfedale Foundation	-	5,000	5,000	-
Bradford Trident	-	-	-	500
Yorkshire Building Society	-	-	-	1,680
Global Fund for Children Foundation	-	-	-	13,100
The Leap c/o Arts Council England	-	-	-	30,000
	<u>-</u>	<u>80,954</u>	<u>80,954</u>	<u>92,299</u>

3 Staff costs and numbers	2025 £	2024 £
Gross salaries	49,673	49,136
Social security costs	3,518	3,315
Employment allowance	<u>(3,518)</u>	<u>(3,315)</u>
	<u>49,673</u>	<u>49,136</u>

The average number of employees during the year was 3.2, being an average of 2.2 full time equivalent (2024: 2.6, 1.9 FTE). There were no employees with emoluments above £60,000.

4 Restricted funds	Balance b/f £	Incoming £	Outgoing £	Transfers £	Balance c/f £
West Yorks Comb. Authority	-	5,000	1,767	-	3,233
BMDC East Area	-	350	-	-	350
Bradford Council (Sport)	128	-	-	-	128
BMDC Breaking Boundaries	1,500	-	-	-	1,500
BMDC Covid recovery	2,000	-	-	-	2,000
Bradford Trident	1,000	-	-	-	1,000
Osmani Trust	-	4,000	2,109	-	1,891
CNET	2,905	-	2,905	-	-
Dads Work	1,417	-	1,417	-	-
Give Bradford	-	14,500	2,795	-	11,705
Groundwork	-	16,030	16,030	-	-
BMDC HSF	-	12,811	12,606	-	205
BMDC HSF	256	-	256	-	-
BMDC HSF	-	12,963	12,963	-	-
BMDC Ladies Exercise	-	300	-	-	300
Sir George Martin Trust	32	-	-	-	32
The Leap	28,725	-	15,927	-	12,798
BMDC Wellbeing	-	10,000	10,000	-	-
Wharfedale Foundation	-	5,000	5,000	-	-
Global Fund Children	135	-	135	-	-
	<u>38,098</u>	<u>80,954</u>	<u>83,910</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>35,142</u>

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4 Restricted funds continued

Fund name	Purpose of restriction
West Yorks Comb. Authority	Walk leaders training for men and women combined with Green walks programme at local parks and the countryside.
BMDC East Area	Youth diversion work over Bonfire period to address Anti social behaviour.
Bradford Council (Sport)	For youth sports and volunteering sessions.
BMDC Breaking Boundaries	To connect young people and their families from different communities using regular participation through sport and 'cricket themes' to fostering mutual respect, trust and friendships.
BMDC Covid recovery	To build youth action projects to inspire young people to increase their social and life skills.
Bradford Trident	Towards Dads work project.
Osmani Trust	Break the Cycle – The project aims to engage Muslim children aged 10 - 16 through an early prevention and intervention model to prevent and reduce violence offences.
CNET	To provide a variety of wellbeing activities and visits.
Dads Work	Towards the costs of work engaging fathers and children through community based activity programmes.
Give Bradford	Sparks for Arts offers children and young people new arts opportunities to build skills and confidence through participation on photography workshops, kid's arts club and community festivals.
Groundwork	Jobs support programme to engage and work with inactive and unemployed people.
BMDC HSF	For the provision of emergency food parcels for those families on the lowest incomes who are struggling to make ends meet.
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BMDC Ladies Exercise	Offers health and fitness support to local women to improve health outcomes.
Sir George Martin Trust	Towards work with women and girls.
The Leap	Towards community arts and culture activities.
BMDC Wellbeing	The Programme will focus on a community led Wellbeing activities, focusing on self-care and taking ownership of positive health interventions.
Wharfedale Foundation	The Project will engage unemployed and inactive residents to develop new skills through job search activity, build personal capacity and confidence through support and guidance from project workers.
Global Fund Children	Project to work with boys through Youth social action programmes. The transfer relates to kitchen equipment purchased from the fund for the general purposes of the charity.

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Notes to the accounts continued

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5 Tangible assets

	Furniture, fixtures and £	Project equipment £	Total £
Cost			
At 1 April 2024	5,956	1,256	7,212
Additions	-	-	-
At 31 March 2025	5,956	1,256	7,212
Depreciation			
At 1 April 2024	2,980	482	3,462
Charge for year	1,490	315	1,805
At 31 March 2025	4,470	797	5,267
Net book value			
At 31 March 2025	1,486	459	1,945
At 31 March 2024	2,976	774	3,750

6 Debtors and prepayments

	2025 £	2024 £
Debtors	-	-
Amounts owed by subsidiary company	-	-
Prepayments	320	332
Accrued income	19,000	15,000
Other debtors	-	-
	19,320	15,332

7 Cash at bank and in hand

	2025 £	2024 £
Cash at bank	39,831	57,069
Cash in hand	-	-
	39,831	57,069

8 Creditors and accruals

	2025 £	2024 £
Accruals	792	792
	792	792

9 Related party transactions

Trustee expenses

No trustee received any expenses during this year or the previous year.

Trustee remuneration and benefits

No trustee received any remuneration or benefit during this or the previous year.

Remuneration and benefits received by key management personnel

The total employee benefits received by key management personnel were £31,485 (previous year: £30,501).

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Statement of Financial Activities including comparatives for all funds (including summary income and expenditure account) for the year ended 31 March 2025

	2025 Unrestricted funds £	2024 Unrestricted funds £	2025 Restricted funds £	2024 Restricted funds £	2025 Total funds £	2024 Total funds £
Income						
Grants, commissions and donations	-	1,680	80,954	90,619	80,954	92,299
Fees and charges	6,581	10,860	-	-	6,581	10,860
Total income	6,581	12,540	80,954	90,619	87,535	103,159
Expenditure						
Salaries, NIC's and pension	13,071	5,708	36,602	43,428	49,673	49,136
Payroll costs	-	-	342	376	342	376
Travel and subsistence	118	-	378	150	496	150
Events and activities	2,494	1,480	32,332	36,084	34,826	37,564
Premises and overheads	412	249	8,454	9,008	8,866	9,257
Equipment and materials	174	1,650	1,053	495	1,227	2,145
Independent examination	192	240	600	552	792	792
Insurance	12	284	742	500	754	784
Committee and volunteer expenses	130	189	222	1,567	352	1,756
Publicity and promotion	100	-	985	1,039	1,085	1,039
Depreciation	1,805	1,805	-	-	1,805	1,805
Staff training	172	60	720	-	892	60
Freelance workers	-	-	1,480	-	1,480	-
Total expenditure	18,680	11,665	83,910	93,199	102,590	104,864
Net income / (expenditure)	(12,099)	875	(2,956)	(2,580)	(15,055)	(1,705)
Transfers between funds	-	590	-	(590)	-	-
Net movement in funds	(12,099)	1,465	(2,956)	(3,170)	(15,055)	(1,705)
Fund balances brought forward	37,261	35,796	38,098	41,268	75,359	77,064
Fund balances carried forward	25,162	37,261	35,142	38,098	60,304	75,359