DEAN COURT COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

England & Wales · Charity number 1146730

Details

Other names	DCCA
Status	Registered
Legal form	Charitable company
Company number	07966249
Registered	2012-04-02
Register	View on the Charity Commission register

Contact

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Activities

Objects: 4.1.TO PROMOTE THE BENEFIT OF THE INHABITANTS WITHOUT DISTINCTION OF SEX,SEXUAL ORIENTATION,AGE,DISABILITY, NATIONALITY,RACE OR OF POLITICAL,RELIGIOUS OR OTHER OPINIONS,BY ASSOCIATING TOGETHER THE SAID INHABITANTS AND THE STATUTORY AUTHORITIES,VOLUNTARY AND OTHER ORGANISATIONS IN A COMMON EFFORT TO PROMOTE A SENSE OF COMMUNITY AMONG THE INHABITANTS AND TO PROVIDE FACILITIES IN THE INTERESTS OF SOCIAL WELFARE FOR RECREATION AND LEISURE-TIME OCCUPATION WITH THE OBJECT OF IMPROVING THE CONDITIONS OF LIFE FOR THE SAID INHABITANTS;4.2.TO ESTABLISH,OR SECURE THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A COMMUNITY CENTRE AND TO MAINTAIN AND MANAGE THE SAME(WHETHER ALONE OR IN CO-OPERATION WITH ANY STATUTORY AUTHORITY OR OTHER PERSON OR BODY)IN FURTHERANCE OF THE OBJECTS;4.3.TO PROMOTE SUCH OTHER PURPOSES AS ARE CHARITABLE ACCORDING TO THE LAWS OF ENGLAND AND WALES FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE PUBLIC AS MAY FROM TIME TO TIME BE DETERMINED.

Activities: To establish a Community Centre (completed on 27 February 2014) in the Dean Court ward of the Parish of Cumnor, Oxfordshire and to maintain and manage the same for the benefit of the local inhabitants and to provide facilities in the interests of social welfare for recreation and leisure-time occupation by

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associating with the statutory authorities, voluntary and other organisations.

Classification

- **How:** Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space
- **What:** Economic/community Development/employment, Recreation
- **Who:** Other Charities Or Voluntary Bodies, Other Defined Groups, The General Public/mankind

Geography

- Oxfordshire

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£34,645	£48,624	-	-
2024-03-31	£39,637	£41,005	-	-
2023-03-31	£33,029	£42,082	-	-
2022-03-31	£106,151	£39,936	-	-
2021-03-31	£51,970	£37,421	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
ANNA MARGARET PEARSON BA		2012-03-27
Brian Ahern		2020-04-08
DEREK JOHN RAWSON		2013-02-03
Dr Antje Gabriele Frotscher		2022-06-08
JUDY ROBERTS		2012-03-27

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Accounts

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ANNUAL REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st MARCH 2025



CHARITY REGISTRATION No: 1146730 COMPANY REGISTRATION No: 7966249

DEAN COURT COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION
(A COMPANY LIMITED BY GUARANTEE)

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LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

CHARITY NUMBER	1146730
COMPANY REGISTRATION NUMBER	7966249
TRUSTEES AS AT 12 NOVEMBER 2025	Brian Ahern Antje Frotscher Anna Pearson Derek Rawson Judith Roberts Morwenna White (resigned 15 December 2024)
REGISTERED ADDRESS	Dean Court Community Centre Pinnocks Way Oxford Oxfordshire OX2 9DG
DATE OF INCORPORATION	27 February 2012
GOVERNING DOCUMENT	Memorandum and Articles incorporated 27 February 2012
BANKERS	The Co-operative Bank Virgin Money
INDEPENDENT EXAMINER	Simrit Sandhu ACCA

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

Structure Governance and Management

The Dean Court Community Association was established in February 2012. The Association is registered with the Charity Commission (no 1146730) and with Companies House (registration no 7966249) and conforms to the standards and procedures required by these two bodies. The Directors of the company are the Trustees for the purpose of charity law and are referred to as the Trustees.

The purpose of Dean Court Community Association is to develop a healthy, thriving community within the Parish of Cumnor, Oxfordshire, centred in the Ward of Dean Court. A non-profit organisation, DCCA seeks to fulfil its aims by holding events, producing a regular newsletter and establishing a meeting place for local activities. Income generated in excess of the requirements for management and maintenance will be used for community development. The area of benefit is Cumnor Parish and the adjoining North Hinksey Parish.

The land on which the Community Centre is built is owned by the Vale of White Horse District Council with whom the Trustees have entered into a 25 year Lease in February 2014.

The Trustees meet monthly and more often as necessary. The Trustees delegate the running of the Centre to the employed staff and team of volunteers.

The Trustees continue to seek new Trustees who live in the community. They invite potential Trustees to attend a meeting so that they have an opportunity to learn about the scope of the charity and how they might contribute to its aims and objectives, prior to becoming a Trustee.

One of the Trustees is currently a local County, District and Parish Councillor thereby providing links with those bodies. Other Trustees provide links with St Andrew's Church, Fogwell Pavillion and the local network of Whatsapp groups that have sprung up since the lockdowns, furthering our desire to work collaboratively with other local organisations.

Objects

To promote the benefit of the inhabitants of the area of benefit without distinction of sex, sexual orientation, age, disability, nationality, race or of political, religious or other opinions, by associating together the said inhabitants and the statutory authorities, voluntary and other organisations in a common effort to promote a sense of community among the inhabitants and to provide facilities in the interests of social welfare for recreation and leisure-time occupation with the object of improving the conditions of life for the said inhabitants;

To maintain and manage Dean Court Community Centre (whether alone or in co-operation with any statutory authority or other person or body) in furtherance of the objects;

To promote such other purposes as are charitable according to the laws of England and Wales for the benefit of the public as may from time to time be determined.

Achievements and Performance

Community Centre

We have continued to enjoy the benefits of the £100,000 Solar and Environmental Project completed in September 2021, although we still have a loan of **£10,000** outstanding at the beginning of the year. The project included the following works:

- Renew the Main Hall roof
- Add 40 solar panels to the new roof
- Provide battery storage
- Replace the wall on the southern boundary with a fence and gate to allow better access to the adjoining Play Park
- Replace the fencing and retaining wall to the eastern boundary
- Extend the new fencing to separate the overflow parking at the front of the Centre
- Provide 2 x Electric Vehicle Charging Points

The EV Charging Points were commissioned in January 2024 and are currently providing a net income (after management fee and VAT deducted) of **£1,798** (Note 4). This income is used to help pay for the electricity used to charge the vehicles and goes towards the running costs of the Centre, including repayment of the outstanding loan for their provision. There is still plenty of capacity for greater use of the EV Charging Points and we expect our income from this source to increase annually.

During the year, the Trustees agreed a Smart Export Guarantee with its energy supplier so that we are now being paid for any surplus energy produced from our Solar Panels and Storage Battery that is not being used by the Centre.

The Trustees have let one room in the Community Centre to The Police and Crime Commissioner for Thames Valley for use by its Community Police Officers under a lease for seven years dated 12th January 2015. Terms have been agreed for the renewal of this lease for a further period of seven years until January 2029.

We have continued to seek external funding for paying off the outstanding loan of **£10,000** for the Project, taken out to enable the project to be undertaken in July-September 2021, thereby protecting other grant conditions that were time limited. However, we have had limited success with our major fundraising in 2024/2025 to pay off this loan, but we have received support for specific items such as the renewal of the Emergency Lighting, as described below.

During the year we have received the following grant:

Source	Amount £	Status	Purpose
Oxfordshire County Council (Councillor Priority Fund)	3774	Received	Towards renewal of Emergency Lighting and light fittings in main hall

Total external (restricted) grants **£3,774** *(£780 (2023/2024)).*

We are conscious that although refurbished and extended in 2014, and given the intensity of use since then, our premises need further investment given other local facilities that have opened more recently and offer a more modern space. The Trustees are therefore working on a refurbishment project for 2025/2026 to enable these improvements to take place, including full replacement of lighting with LEDs and room sensors, renewal of taps to prevent excess water usage, replacement of failed double glazing units and replacement of some heating units.

Local fundraising
We are also grateful to those who have continued to support the Centre through regular donations and we wish to encourage more support in this way. We enrolled for the White Horse Community Lottery in July 2021 and this year we have raised **£556** from this source. In addition, as we also exceeded sales of 20 tickets per week, we received a grant of **£619** from the White Horse Community Lottery Distribution Fund (see Note 3 to the accounts).

We also thank our regular donors who have contributed **£552** this year (plus Gift Aid) but would like to encourage more people in the local community to support us in this way.

Engagement with the Community
All the Trustees live within the Dean Court Ward of Cumnor Parish Council and therefore have contact with others in that community.

The Dean Court Community Association website (www.deancourtcc.org.uk) provides information about the organisation.

The Trustees also maintain contact with the community through leaflets for one-off events and invitations to the Annual General Meeting being posted on community noticeboards throughout Cumnor Parish.

Community Service
The premises provide a number of meeting rooms for use by the local community as follows:

Main Hall (113sqm, normal capacity 100)
Orange Room (46sqm, normal capacity 25)
Yellow Room (30sqm, normal capacity 20); and
Blue Room (14sqm, normal capacity 10).

In addition, there is a Centre Office and an office for the local Police Community Support Officer.

The Trustees are pleased to report that the spaces in the Centre have been used on over **1,149** occasions (2023/2024 – 1,321) by **77** different hirers (2022/2023 - 93). Many of these are regular bookings by groups including Age UK, Baby Ballet, Bounce Fit Body, Christian Congregation, Dance group, Dog Training, Guides and Rainbows, Holistic Health class, Martial Arts, Meadowbrook College, Muslim Prayer Group, Oxford Gospel Choir, Pilates, Photography Shoots, Ronin Theatre Company, University of the Third Age (U3A) and Yoga. We were delighted to host many private parties and celebrations during the year.

We are pleased to report that our Communal Kitchen (serving both the Main Hall and Orange Room) has been used on 175 occasions during the year (included in the 1,149 figure above) in conjunction with other bookings.

We provide a welcome to local residents with Community Tea (monthly) on Sunday afternoons and thank Morwenna White and helpers for providing this valuable service. Court Crafting is another DCCA activity that allows those with various crafting skills to meet together on a regular basis.

We are pleased to be able offer subsidised rates to 9 local organisations and charities.

Financial Review

Total Incoming Resources were **£34,645** during the period ended 31 March 2025 (£39,637 – March 2024) and Total Resources Expended **£48,624** (£41,005 – March 2024), producing a deficit of income over expenditure of **£13,979.** Including the balance brought forward on 1 April 2024, total funds decreased from £89,952 (31 March 2024) to £**68,973** as at 31 March 2025. However, of this amount, **£62,794** are designated income funds to be used in meeting our requirements for depreciation over future years.

During the year, we signed a Rent Review Memorandum with the Vale of White Horse District Council setting the rent under our lease at **£299.28** until the next review in January 2029. We have also paid the rent due for the period February 2021- February 2025 in the sum of **£747** (see Note 5 to the Accounts).

Under the terms of our lease, the Council is responsible for Buildings Insurance, and the Community Association repays the insurance premium, by way of Insurance Rent. Although the building has been insured continuously since 2014, the Council did not seek at the time to issue invoices for the Insurance Rent for the period 2017-2023. Included within these accounts is a payment of **£1,169** for the Buildings Insurance for the period October 2023-September 2024 (see Note 5) and we expect further requests which are included in the Accruals at Note 11.

Since the year end, the Trustees have agreed a repayment plan with the Council for the outstanding amount due to be repaid by May 2027.

The Trustees note that in its eleventh full year of operation, although the income from its charitable activities exceeded the figure proposed in its initial business plan, much of this income came from one-off grants to compensate for lost income whilst the Centre was closed and from grants received for the Roofing, Solar and Fencing Project.

Reserves Policy
The usual aim of the Trustees is to have unrestricted cash equivalent reserves of at least **£8,000** being equivalent to three months running costs.

As a result of the building project in 2021/2022, the capital costs of which will be depreciated over a number of years, and as we used our unrestricted reserves as at 31 March 2021, also to fund the project, we continue to have a negative balance in respect of our reserves policy as at 31 March 2025.

However, the Trustees are confident that having now dealt with some one-off items of expenditure they will continue to operate successfully and will also continue to seek funds to repay the internal loans, seeking to have a positive unrestricted reserve as at 31 March 2026.

With the solar panels and storage battery mitigating the impact of future energy price increases, together with the income generated from the EV charging points, we are confident that the centre will continue to be affordable for future users.

Grant Making Policy
The main charitable purpose of Dean Court Community Association is currently to run the Community Centre for the benefit of local organisations and individuals living in Cumnor and North Hinksey Parishes.

Its prime purpose is therefore to use its income generated from room hire to pay for the expenses of running the centre including staff, energy costs and maintenance.

It therefore does not offer grants to either individuals or other organisations that are unrelated to the running of the Centre.

It will however consider applications for grants from potential hirers who can show the following:

a) They live within Cumnor or North Hinksey Parish
b) The reason for the grant is to reduce the cost of hiring a room/rooms within the Centre
c) Any grant offered will be a reduction in the hire costs, and not paid in cash
d) If an organisation, by supplying their last set of accounts (to include a statement of income and expenditure for its last accounting year together with the amount in reserves).

The maximum value of any grant offered will not normally exceed £250.

All applications must be by letter to the Trustees stating what the applicant wishes to do, the purpose of the grant and the amount of grant requested. All applications will be acknowledged and applicants informed of the timescale for making a decision.

Legal liabilities
The Trustees have entered into a lease for the building with the Vale of White Horse District Council for a period of 25 years commencing on 27 February 2014. The lease is on a full repairing and insuring basis and the estimated costs of meeting these liabilities have been included in the five-year Business Plan. The rent payable is subject to review every five years, with the increase based on increases in the Retail Prices Index.

The Trustees entered into a sub-lease with the Thames Valley Police for a period of 7 years commencing on 12th January 2015. The lease was renewed in January 2022 for a further period of 7 years. The tenant pays an initial rent of £250 per annum together with a service charge (estimated at £300 per annum) relating to the landlord's costs of managing and maintaining the premises. The Trustees produce service charge accounts each year and these have shown that actual costs do not exceed the estimated figure.

Investment Policy
The association's funds are maintained within an interest bearing current account at the Co-operative Bank. The association also has a bank account with Virgin Money, giving itself greater protection for its liquid assets.

Given its eleventh year of operation, the Trustees consider that the cash reserves position is reasonable for the size of its overall operation and therefore currently do not propose to make any long term investments. Any surplus funds are being applied to the building project that started in July 2021.

People
The Trustees have been supported by two paid administrative staff and wish to record their thanks to them for maintaining the bookings and related financial activity so efficiently. The Trustees have a pension scheme with **Nest** (National Employment Savings Trust) and staff members are invited to join this scheme. The Trustees are registered as an employer with **HMRC** giving them greater flexibility in the future employment of staff.

Statement of Trustees' responsibility

The Charities Act and the Companies Act require the Board of Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year, which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity as at the end of the financial year and of the surplus or deficit of the charity. In preparing those financial statements the Board is required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in business.
- state whether applicable accounting standards and statements of recommended practice have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements.

The Trustees are also responsible for maintaining adequate accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and which are sufficient to show and explain the charity's transactions and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006 and comply with regulations made under the Charities Act. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

The Trustees are also responsible for the contents of the Trustees' Report and the responsibility of the Independent Examiner in relation to the trustees' report is limited to examining the report and ensuring that, on the face of the report, there are no inconsistencies with the figures disclosed in the financial statements.

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

I approve the attached statement of financial activities and balance sheet for the year ended 31 March 2025 and confirm that I have made available all information necessary for its preparation.

Signature..... Date..12th November 2025

Brian Ahern Chair of Trustees

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025
Incorporating Income and Expenditure Account

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2025 £	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2024 £
Income from:							
Donations and legacies	2	1,256	3,774	5,030	6,750	780	7,530
Charitable activities	3	27,785	-	27,785	32,027	-	32,027
Other trading activities	4	1,798	-	1,798	-	-	-
Investments		32	-	32	80	-	80
Total income		30,871	3,774	34,645	38,857	780	39,637
Expenditure on:							
Raising funds		-	-	-	-	-	-
Charitable activities	5	44,335	4,289	48,624	40,495	510	41,005
Total expenditure		44,335	4,289	48,624	40,495	510	41,005
Net income / -expenditure		- 13,464	- 515	- 13,979	- 1,638	270	- 1,368
Transfers between funds		- 245	245	-	-	-	-
Net movement in funds		- 13,709	- 270	- 13,979	- 1,638	270	- 1,368
Reconciliation of funds:							
Total funds brought forwards		78,514	4,438	82,952	80,152	4,168	84,320
Total funds carried forward		64,805	4,168	68,973	78,514	4,438	82,952

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 MARCH 2025

	Notes	2025 £	2025 £	2024 £	2024 £
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible Assets	9		89,597		98,048
CURRENT ASSETS					
Debtors	10	1,074		1,153	
Cash at bank		1,520		2,961	
		2,594		4,114	
CREDITORS: Amounts falling due within one year	11	23,218		19,210	
NET CURRENT ASSETS			- 20,624		- 15,096
NET ASSETS			68,973		82,952
FUNDS					
INCOME FUNDS					
Unrestricted Income funds	12		2,011		10,720
Designated income funds	12		62,794		67,794
Restricted Income funds	13		4,168		4,438
TOTAL INCOME FUNDS			68,973		82,952

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

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

These financial statements were approved by the members of the committee and authorised for issue on 12/11/25 and are signed on their behalf by:

Brian Ahern, Chair of Trustees

The notes on pages 13-20 form part of these financial statements.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparation
The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Charities Act 2011 and in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP): Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS102) issued on 16 July 2014 and the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102).

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

Income
All incoming resources are included in the statement of financial activities when the charity is legally entitled to the income and the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy. Donations and legacies are reported in the Statement of Financial Activities if they are received or due in the financial year.

Donated professional services and donated facilities are recognised as restricted income when the economic benefit is transferred and the benefit can be measured reliably. In accordance with the Charities SORP 2015 (FRS102) volunteer time is not recognised in the financial statements.

Expenditure and liabilities
Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all costs 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. Expenditure represents amounts invoiced, including value added tax.
Donations are accounted for on a paid basis.

Tangible Fixed Assets and Depreciation
These are capitalised if they can be used for more than one year, and cost at least £500 They are valued at cost or, if gifted, at the value to the charity on receipt. Depreciation is charged on the following basis:
Fixtures, Fittings and furniture – straight line over 5 years
Computer equipment – straight line over 3 years

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025 (continued)

Taxation

The Charity is exempt from corporation tax on its charitable activities. Value Added Tax is not recoverable by the Charity and as such is included in the relevant costs in the statement of financial activities.

Commitments

There are no annual commitments under non-cancelling operating leases at 31 March 2025 (2024: none).

2. INCOME FROM DONATIONS AND LEGACIES

	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total Funds 2025	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total Funds 2024
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Donations	552	-	552	5,191	-	5,191
Fundraising income (White Horse Lottery)	556	-	556	492	-	492
Grants	-	3,774	3,774	-	780	780
Gift Aid	148	-	148	1,067	-	1,067
Total Donations	1,256	3,774	5,030	6,750	780	7,530

3. INCOME FROM CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total Funds 2025	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total Funds 2024
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Grants	619	-	619	-	-	-
Room bookings	26,153	-	26,153	28,817	-	28,817
Community Refreshments Income	225	-	225	778	-	778
Rental income	266	-	266	1,059	-	1,059
Equipment hire	195	-	195	165	-	165
Events income	115	-	115	100	-	100
Other income	212	-	212	1,108	-	1,108
Total Charitable activities	27,785	-	27,785	32,027	-	32,027

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025 (continued)

4. OTHER TRADING ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total Funds 2025	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total Funds 2024
	£	£	£	£	£	£
EV Charge Point Income	1,798	-	1,798	-	-	-
	1,798	-	1,798	-	-	-

5. EXPENDITURE ON CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total Funds 2025	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total Funds 2024
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Staffing costs	11,580	-	11,580	10,946	-	10,946
Utilities	3,138	-	3,138	5,659	-	5,659
Cleaning and maintenance	10,118	3,774	13,892	7,817	510	8,327
Catering supplies	-	-	-	27	-	27
Professional fees	-	-	-	324	-	324
Bookkeeping services	-	-	-	2,200	-	2,200
Community refreshments costs	19	-	19	159	-	159
Sundry equipment	-	-	-	126	-	126
Kitchen and office supplies	451	-	451	621	-	621
Fixtures, fittings and furniture	-	515	515	-	-	-
Telephone and IT	749	-	749	454	-	454
Insurance	1,613	-	1,613	1,735	-	1,735
Rent	747	-	747	-	-	-
Interest payable	154	-	154	190	-	190
Depreciation	8,451	-	8,451	8,450	-	8,450
Other expenditure	230	-	230	103	-	103
Bank charges	-	-	-	11	-	11
Governance	7,085	-	7,085	1,673	-	1,673
Total charitable activities	44,335	4,289	48,624	40,495	510	41,005

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025 (continued)

6. GOVERNANCE COSTS

	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total Funds 2025	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total Funds 2024
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Independent Examination	275	-	275	-	-	-
Accountancy services	4,525	-	4,525	2,215	-	2,215
Legal and professional fees	1,320	-	1,320	180	-	180
Other governance expenses	568	-	568	391	-	391
Subscriptions	397	-	397	- 1,413	-	- 1,413
	7,085	-	7,085	1,373	-	1,373

7. NET INCOME/EXPENDITURE FOR THE YEAR

	2025	2024
	£	£
Directors' remuneration	-	-
Depreciation	8,451	8,451

8. STAFF COSTS AND NUMBERS

	2025	2024
	£	£
Wages	11,580	10,946
Social security costs	-	-
	11,580	10,946

The average number of staff employed during the year was 2 (2024: 2). No employee received any pay or benefits in excess of £60,000 in either year.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025 (continued)

9. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Fixtures, Fittings, Furniture and Other Equipment	Computer Equipment	Leasehold Improvements	Total
	£	£	£	£
COST				
At 1 April 2024	16,465	7,665	132,801	156,931
Additions	-	-	-	-
Disposals				-
At 31 March 2025	16,465	7,665	132,801	156,931
DEPRECIATION				
At 1 April 2024	16,465	7,665	34,753	58,883
Charge for the year	-	-	8,451	8,451
Disposals				-
At 31 March 2025	16,465	7,665	43,204	67,334
NET BOOK VALUE				
At 31 March 2025	-	-	89,597	89,597
At 1 April 2024	-	-	98,048	98,048

10. DEBTORS

	2025	2024
	£	£
Other debtors	1,627	420
Bad debt provision	- 1,364	-
Prepayments	811	733
	1,074	1,153

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025 (continued)

11. CREDITORS AND ACCRUALS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2025	2024
	£	£
Income received in advance	769	462
Tax and social security	164	-
Other creditors	1,196	1,498
Loan	10,000	10,000
Accruals	11,089	7,250
	23,218	19,210

12. UNRESTRICTED INCOME FUNDS

	Balance at 1 April 2024	Income	Expenditure	Transfers	Balance as at 31 March 2025
	£	£	£	£	£
General funds	10,720	30,871	- 44,335	4,755	2,011
Designated funds:					
Future depreciation of roof, solar panels and fencing	67,794	-	-	- 5,000	62,794
	78,514	30,871	- 44,335	- 245	64,805

13. RESTRICTED INCOME FUNDS

	Balance at 1 April 2024	Income	Expenditure	Transfers	Balance as at 31 March 2025
	£	£	£	£	£
Sovereign Housing:					
Local Initiative	2,668	-	-	-	2,668
Doris Field Trust					
LED Lighting	1,000		-	-	1,000
Oxfordshire County Council	500	-	-	-	500
TVPCF (security)	270	-	- 515	245	-
OCC Fire Precaution	-	3,774	- 3,774	-	-
Total restricted funds	4,438	3,774	- 4,289	245	4,168

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025 (continued)

14. ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS BETWEEN FUNDS

	31 March 2025 Unrestricted	31 March 2025 Restricted	31 March 2025 Total
	£	£	£
Tangible Fixed Assets	89,597	-	89,597
Current Assets	- 1,574	4,168	2,594
Current Liabilities	- 23,218	-	- 23,218
	64,805	4,168	68,973

15. TRUSTEES AND OTHER RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

No trustees received any remuneration, expenses or received any other benefits from an employment with the charity.

There were no related party transactions during this financial year (2023-24: nil)

16. KEY MANAGEMENT PERSONNEL

The key management personnel are the trustees. There is therefore no associated cost.

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Dean Court Community Association

I report on the accounts of the company for the year ended 31 March 2025, which are set out on pages 12 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.

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(5)(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

SPX Oxford Limited provides bookkeeping services to Dean Court Community Association and I am an employee of this company. In order to maintain independence, I confirm that I have not been involved in provision of the bookkeeping service.

I also confirm that as a member of Chartered Association of Certified Accountants, I am subject to the provisions of the FRC's Revised Ethical Standard (2016). This standard has been applied throughout this independent examination.

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

(1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:

- to keep accounting records in accordance with section 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.

S. Sandhu

Name: Simrit Sandhu
Date: 27 November 2025

DEAN COURT COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

England & Wales - Charity number 1146730

Accounts

DEAN COURT COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

ANNUAL REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st MARCH 2024



CHARITY REGISTRATION No: 1146730 COMPANY REGISTRATION No: 7966249

DEAN COURT COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION
(A COMPANY LIMITED BY GUARANTEE)

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LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

CHARITY NUMBER	1146730
COMPANY REGISTRATION NUMBER	7966249
TRUSTEES AS AT 13 NOVEMBER 2024	Brian Ahern Antje Frotscher Anna Pearson Derek Rawson Judith Roberts Morwenna White
REGISTERED ADDRESS	Dean Court Community Centre Pinnocks Way Oxford Oxfordshire OX2 9DG
DATE OF INCORPORATION	27 February 2012
GOVERNING DOCUMENT	Memorandum and Articles incorporated 27 February 2012
BANKERS	The Co-operative Bank Virgin Money
INDEPENDENT EXAMINER	Simrit Sandhu ACCA

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

Structure Governance and Management

The Dean Court Community Association was established in February 2012. The Association is registered with the Charity Commission (no 1146730) and with Companies House (registration no 7966249) and conforms to the standards and procedures required by these two bodies. The Directors of the company are the Trustees for the purpose of charity law and are referred to as the Trustees.

The purpose of Dean Court Community Association is to develop a healthy, thriving community within the Parish of Cumnor, Oxfordshire, centred in the Ward of Dean Court. A non-profit organisation, DCCA seeks to fulfil its aims by holding events, producing a regular newsletter and establishing a meeting place for local activities. Income generated in excess of the requirements for management and maintenance will be used for community development. The area of benefit is Cumnor Parish and the adjoining North Hinksey Parish.

The land on which the Community Centre is built is owned by the Vale of White Horse District Council with whom the Trustees have entered into a 25 year Lease in February 2014.

The Trustees meet monthly and more often as necessary. The Trustees delegate the running of the Centre to the employed staff and team of volunteers.

The Trustees continue to seek new Trustees who live in the community. They invite potential Trustees to attend a meeting so that they have an opportunity to learn about the scope of the charity and how they might contribute to its aims and objectives, prior to becoming a Trustee.

One of the Trustees is currently a local County, District and Parish Councillor thereby providing links with those bodies. Other Trustees provide links with St Andrew's Church, Fogwell Pavillion and the local network of Whatsapp groups that have sprung up since the lockdowns, furthering our desire to work collaboratively with other local organisations.

Objects

To promote the benefit of the inhabitants of the area of benefit without distinction of sex, sexual orientation, age, disability, nationality, race or of political, religious or other opinions, by associating together the said inhabitants and the statutory authorities, voluntary and other organisations in a common effort to promote a sense of community among the inhabitants and to provide facilities in the interests of social welfare for recreation and leisure-time occupation with the object of improving the conditions of life for the said inhabitants;

To maintain and manage Dean Court Community Centre (whether alone or in co-operation with any statutory authority or other person or body) in furtherance of the objects;

To promote such other purposes as are charitable according to the laws of England and Wales for the benefit of the public as may from time to time be determined.

Achievements and Performance

Community Centre

We have continued to enjoy the benefits of the £100,000 Solar and Environmental Project completed in September 2021, although we still had a loan of **£15,000** outstanding at the beginning of the year. The Centre is now using much of its own generated electricity to support its activities. We are grateful to those who have continued to support the Centre with grants and loans, and these are detailed later in this report. The project included the following works:

- Renew the Main Hall roof
- Add 40 solar panels to the new roof
- Provide battery storage
- Replace the wall on the southern boundary with a fence and gate to allow better access to the adjoining Play Park
- Replace the fencing and retaining wall to the eastern boundary
- Extend the new fencing to separate the overflow parking at the front of the Centre
- Provide 2 x Electric Vehicle Charging Points

The Ev Charging Points were commissioned during the year and after a slow start these produced a net income (after management fee and VAT deducted) of **£1,052** for the year. This income is used to help pay for the electricity used to charge the vehicles and also goes towards the running costs of the Centre, including repayment of the outstanding loan for their provision.

We were delighted that our project was featured in ***OxFutures Social Impact Report 2023*** as a case study. OxFutures funded our Energy Audit (2019) and also provided a grant of **£7,300** towards the Solar and Environmental Project.

The Trustees have let one room in the Community Centre to The Police and Crime Commissioner for Thames Valley for use by its Community Police Officers under a lease for seven years dated 12th January 2015. The lease has been renewed for a further period of seven years from January 2022.

We have continued to seek external funding for paying off the outstanding loan of **£15,000** for the Project, taken out to enable the project to be undertaken in July-September 2021, thereby protecting other grant conditions that were time limited. We launched an Appeal 2023 to help pay off this loan by writing to previous donors, but this has only produced **£140** plus Gift Aid. We therefore decided to apply to **The Big Give** (as we had done in previous years) and although we were not offered a Charity Champion to match our own fundraising, we were given the opportunity to run our own match funding campaign with our own pledgers. Thanks to the nine pledgers (including ***Cumnor Parish Council - £200 and a Charitable Trust – also £200***) who between them promised **£1,900** if we could raise a similar amount between 17th December 2023 and 26th January 2024. Thanks also to our **48** on-line donors who between them not only raised the £1,900 required but also made additional donations. The grand total was **£5,551.30** (including **£895** of Gift Aid) of which £5,000 was used to reduce the outstanding loan from £15,000 to £10,000.

During the year we have received the following grants in response to Appeal 2023/2024:

Source	Amount £	Status	Purpose
Big Give Match Funding Appeal (see above)	3,800	Received	Towards EV Charging Points; provision of CCTV and signage to EV spaces; repayment of loan
Thames Valley Police Community Fund	780	Received	Towards the installation of CCTV

Total external (restricted) grants **£780** *(£6,450 (2022/2023))*.

Local fundraising
We are also grateful to those who have continued to support the Centre through regular donations and we wish to encourage more support in this way. We enrolled for the White Horse Community Lottery in July 2021 and this year we have raised **£492** from this source.

Engagement with the Community
All the Trustees live within the Dean Court Ward of Cumnor Parish Council and therefore have contact with others in that community.

The Dean Court Community Association website (www.deancourtcc.org.uk) provides information about the organisation.

The Trustees also maintain contact with the community through leaflets for one-off events and invitations to the Annual General Meeting being posted on community noticeboards throughout Cumnor Parish.

Community Service
The premises provide a number of meeting rooms for use by the local community as follows:

Main Hall (113sqm, normal capacity 100)
Orange Room (46sqm, normal capacity 25)
Yellow Room (30sqm, normal capacity 20); and
Blue Room (14sqm, normal capacity 10).

In addition, there is a Centre Office and an office for the local Police Community Support Officer.

The Trustees are pleased to report that the spaces in the Centre have been used on over **1,321** occasions (2022/2023 – 1020) by **93** different hirers (2022/2023 - 89). Many of these are regular bookings by groups including Acupuncture, Baby Ballet, Bounce Fit Body, Christian Congregation, Dance group, Dog Training, Guides and Rainbows, Holistic Health class, Hungarian School, Martial Arts, Meadowbrook College, Muslim Prayer Group, Oxford Gospel Choir, Pilates, Photography Shoots, Ronin Theatre Company, University of the Third Age (U3A) (West Oxford Group), and Yoga. We were delighted to host many private parties and celebrations during the year.

We are pleased to report that our Communal Kitchen (servicing both the Main Hall and Orange Room) has been used on 267 occasions during the year (included within the 1,321 figure above) in conjunction with other bookings.

We provide a welcome to local residents with Community Coffee on Wednesdays during term-time and Court Crafting that allows those with various crafting skills to meet together on a regular basis. During the year, we changed the Community Refreshments from a Wednesday Morning to a Sunday Afternoon (monthly) and this has been well received. We record our thanks to Morwenna White (Trustee) for running Community Refreshments for many years.

We are pleased to be able offer subsidised rates to 9 local organisations and charities.

Financial Review

Total Incoming Resources were **£39,635** during the period ended 31 March 2024 (£33,029 – March 2023) and Total Resources Expended **£41,004** (£42,082 – March 2023), producing a deficit of income over expenditure of **£1,369.** Including the balance brought forward on 1 April 2023, total funds decreased from £84,321 (31 March 2023) to £**82,953** as at 31 March 2024. However, of this amount, **£67,794** are designated income funds to be used in meeting our requirements for depreciation over future years.

In Note 7 to the Accounts, there is a credit of **£1,413** under Governance. This relates to an overpayment for our licence for *Music Usage in Community Buildings* (2020 – 2023) which had been based on our income pre-COVID-19 pandemic. The annual licence fee has now been updated and this credit is a one-off amount for this year only.

The Trustees note that in its tenth full year of operation, although the income from its charitable activities exceeded the figure proposed in its business plan, much of this income came from one-off grants to compensate for lost income whilst the Centre was closed and from grants received for the Roofing, Solar and Fencing Project.

As the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic eased, DCCA has acted fully on advice from Community First Oxfordshire and Action with Communities in Rural England (ACRE) on how to ensure, as far as possible, that The Centre is a covid-secure environment for our users, staff and volunteers. As a result, our expenditure on cleaning continued to absorb a high proportion of our letting income.

Reserves Policy
The usual aim of the Trustees is to have unrestricted cash equivalent reserves of at least **£8,000** being equivalent to three months running costs.

As a result of the building project in 2021/2022, the capital costs of which will be depreciated over a number of years, and as we used our unrestricted reserves as at 31 March 2021, also to fund the project, we still have a negative balance in respect of our reserves policy as at 31 March 2024.

However, the Trustees are confident that given the increase in the number of bookings throughout the year that they will continue to operate successfully and will also continue to seek funds to repay the internal loans, seeking to have a positive unrestricted reserve as at 31 March 2025.

With the solar panels and storage battery mitigating the impact of future energy price increases, together with the income generated from the EV charging points, we are confident that the Centre will continue to be affordable for future users. We have also been able to arrange a smart export guarantee with our electricity supplier so that we are now paid for any excess energy that we have generated but are unable to either use at the time or store in our battery.

Grant Making Policy
The main charitable purpose of Dean Court Community Association is currently to run the Community Centre for the benefit of local organisations and individuals living in Cumnor and North Hinksey Parishes.

Its prime purpose is therefore to use its income generated from room hire to pay for the expenses of running the centre including staff, energy costs and maintenance.

It therefore does not offer grants to either individuals or other organisations that are unrelated to the running of the Centre.

It will however consider applications for grants from potential hirers who can show the following:

a) They live within Cumnor or North Hinksey Parish
b) The reason for the grant is to reduce the cost of hiring a room/rooms within the Centre
c) Any grant offered will be a reduction in the hire costs, and not paid in cash
d) If an organisation, by supplying their last set of accounts (to include a statement of income and expenditure for its last accounting year together with the amount in reserves).

The maximum value of any grant offered will not normally exceed £250.

All applications must be by letter to the Trustees stating what the applicant wishes to do, the purpose of the grant and the amount of grant requested. All applications will be acknowledged and applicants informed of the timescale for making a decision.

We were pleased to be able to offer subsidised hiring rates to 9 local organisations and charities during the year.

Legal liabilities
The Trustees have entered into a lease for the building with the Vale of White Horse District Council for a period of 25 years commencing on 27 February 2014. The lease is on a full repairing and insuring basis and the estimated costs of meeting these liabilities have been included in the five-year Business Plan. The rent payable is subject to review every five years, with the increase based on increases in the Retail Prices Index. The rent was reviewed in February 2024.

The Trustees entered into a sub-lease with the Thames Valley Police for a period of 7 years commencing on 12th January 2015. The lease was renewed in January 2022 for a further period of 7 years. The tenant pays an initial rent of £250 per annum together with a service charge (estimated at £300 per annum) relating to the landlord's costs of managing and maintaining the premises. The Trustees produce service charge accounts each year and these have shown that actual costs do not exceed the estimated figure.

Investment Policy
The association's funds are maintained within a business current account at the Co-operative Bank. The association also has an interest bearing bank account with Virgin Money, giving itself greater protection for its liquid assets.

Given its tenth year of operation, the Trustees consider that the cash reserves position is reasonable for the size of its overall operation and therefore currently do not propose to make any long term investments. Any surplus funds are being applied to the building project that started in July 2021.

People
The Trustees have been supported by two paid administrative staff for most of the year and wish to record their thanks to them for maintaining the bookings and related financial activity so efficiently. The Trustees have a pension scheme with **Nest** (National Employment Savings Trust) and staff members are invited to join this scheme. The Trustees are registered as an employer with **HMRC** giving them greater flexibility in the future employment of staff.

Following Staff Appraisals during the year, it was clear that the IT equipment used by our staff needed updating. The Trustees therefore purchased two designated laptops and associated software for use by the two members of staff and this has enabled our staff to work more efficiently both on site and also from home.

The Trustees wish to record their thanks to Celia Clark who has organised Court Crafting for over 10 years and for her regular commitment to providing this activity for the benefit of local residents.

The Trustees also wish to thank the volunteers and staff who spent many hours keeping up to date with the current Government regulations and ensuring that the Centre could be let safely, and supporting the centre in various ways, including opening and closing the Community Centre for occasional hirers.

Statement of Trustees' responsibility

The Charities Act and the Companies Act require the Board of Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year, which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity as at the end of the financial year and of the surplus or deficit of the charity. In preparing those financial statements the Board is required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in business.
- state whether applicable accounting standards and statements of recommended practice have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements.

The Trustees are also responsible for maintaining adequate accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and which are sufficient to show and explain the charity's transactions and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006 and comply with regulations made under the Charities Act. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

The Trustees are also responsible for the contents of the Trustees' Report and the responsibility of the Independent Examiner in relation to the trustees' report is limited to examining the report and ensuring that, on the face of the report, there are no inconsistencies with the figures disclosed in the financial statements.

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

I approve the attached statement of financial activities and balance sheet for the year ended 31 March 2024 and confirm that I have made available all information necessary for its preparation.

Signature..... Date.13th November 2024

Brian Ahern
Chair of Trustees

DEAN COURT COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION
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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024
Incorporating Income and Expenditure Account

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2024 £	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2023 £
Income from:							
Donations and legacies	2	6,750	780	7,530	812	6,450	7,262
Charitable activities	3	32,027	-	32,027	25,589	-	25,589
Investments	4	80	-	80	178	-	178
Total income		38,857	780	39,637	26,579	6,450	33,029
Expenditure on:							
Raising funds	5	-	-	-	333	-	333
Charitable activities	6	40,495	510	41,005	40,953	794	41,748
Other		-	-	-	-	-	-
Total expenditure		40,495	510	41,005	41,286	794	42,080
Net income / - expenditure		- 1,638	270	- 1,368	- 14,707	5,656	- 9,052
Transfers between funds		-	-	-	5,644	- 5,644	-
Net movement in funds		- 1,638	270	- 1,368	- 9,063	12	- 9,052
Reconciliation of funds:							
Total funds brought forwards		80,152	4,168	84,320	89,217	4,156	93,373
Total funds carried forward		78,514	4,438	82,952	80,154	4,168	84,320

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 MARCH 2024

	Notes	2024 £	2024 £	2023 £	2023 £
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible Assets	10		98,048		106,498
CURRENT ASSETS					
Debtors	11	1,153		530	
Cash at bank		2,961		4,129	
		4,114		4,658	
CREDITORS: Amounts falling due within one year	12	19,210		26,836	
NET CURRENT ASSETS			- 15,096		- 22,178
NET ASSETS			82,952		84,320
FUNDS					
INCOME FUNDS					
Unrestricted Income funds	13		10,720		7,359
Designated income funds	13		67,794		72,794
Restricted Income funds	14		4,438		4,167
TOTAL INCOME FUNDS			82,952		84,320

For the year ended 31 March 2024 the company was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.
Trustees responsibilities:

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

These financial statements were approved by the members of the committee and authorised for issue on 13th November 24 and are signed on their behalf by:

.....
Brian Ahern, Chair of Trustees

The notes on pages 13-20 form part of these financial statements.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparation
The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Charities Act 2011 and in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP): Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS102) issued on 16 July 2014 and the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102).

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

The trustees have considered the potential impact of Covid-19 on the running of the Community Centre in 2020/2021 and can report that they have received grants amounting to £16,408 since the year end to offset the loss of letting income. They are therefore confident that there are no other material uncertainties about the Trust's ability to continue as a going concern and having considered all the circumstances, are confident that the future of the centre is secure for the next year.

Income
All incoming resources are included in the statement of financial activities when the charity is legally entitled to the income and the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy. Donations and legacies are reported in the Statement of Financial Activities if they are received or due in the financial year.

Donated professional services and donated facilities are recognised as restricted income when the economic benefit is transferred and the benefit can be measured reliably. In accordance with the Charities SORP 2015 (FRS102) volunteer time is not recognised in the financial statements.

Expenditure and liabilities
Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all costs 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. Expenditure represents amounts invoiced, including value added tax.
Donations are accounted for on a paid basis.

Tangible Fixed Assets and Depreciation
These are capitalised if they can be used for more than one year, and cost at least £500 They are valued at cost or, if gifted, at the value to the charity on receipt. Depreciation is charged on the following basis:
Fixtures, Fittings and furniture – straight line over 5 years
Computer equipment – straight line over 3 years

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024 (continued)

Taxation

The Charity is exempt from corporation tax on its charitable activities. Value Added Tax is not recoverable by the Charity and as such is included in the relevant costs in the statement of financial activities.

Commitments

There are no annual commitments under non-cancelling operating leases at 31 March 2024 (2022: none).

2. INCOME FROM DONATIONS AND LEGACIES

	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total Funds 2024	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total Funds 2023
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Donations	5,191	-	5,191	380	-	380
Fundraising income (White Horse Lottery)	492	-	492	312	-	312
Grants	-	780	780	-	6,450	6,450
Gift Aid	1,067	-	1,067	120	-	120
Total Donations	6,750	780	7,530	812	6,450	7,262

3. INCOME FROM CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total Funds 2024	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total Funds 2023
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Grants	-	-	-	2,767	-	2,767
Room bookings	28,817	-	28,817	20,644	-	20,644
Community Refreshments Income	778	-	778	661	-	661
Rental income	1,059	-	1,059	742	-	742
Equipment hire	165	-	165	125	-	125
Events income	100	-	100	650	-	650
Other income	1,108	-	1,108	-	-	-
Total Charitable activities	32,027	-	32,027	25,589	-	25,589

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024 (continued)

4. INVESTMENT INCOME

	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total Funds	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total Funds
			2024			2023
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Bank interest	80	-	80	178	-	178

5. EXPENDITURE ON RAISING FUNDS

	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total Funds	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total Funds
			2024			2023
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Events costs	-	-	-	333	-	333
	-	-	-	333	-	333

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024 (continued)

6. EXPENDITURE ON CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total Funds 2024	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total Funds 2023
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Staffing costs	10,946	-	10,946	9,969	-	9,969
Utilities	5,659	-	5,659	2,706	95	2,800
Cleaning and maintenance	7,817	510	8,327	8,109	217	8,325
Catering supplies	27	-	27	-	-	-
Professional fees (lease and building project management)	324	-	324	882	-	882
Bookkeeping services	2,200	-	2,200	2,200	-	2,200
Community refreshments costs	159	-	159	159	-	159
Sundry equipment	126	-	126	123	62	185
Kitchen and office supplies	621	-	621	531	421	953
Fixtures, fittings and furniture	-	-	-	34	-	34
Telephone and IT	454	-	454	265	-	265
Insurance	1,735	-	1,735	1,879	-	1,879
Rent	-	-	-	-20	-	-20
Interest payable	190	-	190	320	-	320
Depreciation	8,450	-	8,450	8,725	-	8,725
Other expenditure	103	-	103	120	-	120
Bank charges	11	-	11	11	-	11
Governance	1,673	-	1,673	4,942	-	4,942
Total charitable activities	40,495	510	41,005	40,953	794	41,748

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024 (continued)

7. GOVERNANCE COSTS

	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total Funds 2024	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total Funds 2023
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Independent Examination	-	-	-	196	-	196
Accountancy services	2,515	-	2,515	1,908	-	1,908
Legal and professional fees	180	-	180	1,740	-	1,740
Other governance expenses	391	-	391	389	-	389
Subscriptions	-1,413	-	-1,413	709	-	709
	1,673	-	1,673	4,942	-	4,942

8. NET INCOME/EXPENDITURE FOR THE YEAR

	2024	2023
	£	£
Directors' remuneration	-	-
Depreciation	8,451	8,725

9. STAFF COSTS AND NUMBERS

	2024	2023
	£	£
Wages	10,946	9,969
Social security costs	-	-
	10,946	9,969

The average number of staff employed during the year was 2.0 (2023: 2). No employee received any pay or benefits in excess of £60,000 in either year.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024 (continued)

10. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Fixtures, Fittings, Furniture and Other Equipment	Computer Equipment	Leasehold Improvements	Total
	£	£	£	£
COST				
At 1 April 2023	16,465	7,665	132,801	156,931
Additions	-	-	-	-
Disposals				-
At 31 March 2024	16,465	7,665	132,801	156,931
DEPRECIATION				
At 1 April 2023	16,465	7,665	26,303	50,433
Charge for the year	-	-	8,450	8,450
Disposals				-
At 31 March 2024	16,465	7,665	34,753	58,883
NET BOOK VALUE				
At 31 March 2024	-	-	98,048	98,048
At 1 April 2023	-	-	106,498	106,498

11. DEBTORS

	2024	2023
	£	£
Gift Aid receivable	-	-
Other debtors	420	530
Prepayments	733	-
	1,153	530

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024 (continued)

12. CREDITORS AND ACCRUALS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2024	2023
	£	£
Trade creditors	-	-
Income received in advance	462	1,598
Police service charge	-	-
Other creditors	1,498	1,368
Loan	10,000	15,000
Accruals	7,250	8,870
	19,210	26,837

13. UNRESTRICTED INCOME FUNDS

	Balance at 1 April 2023	Income	Expenditure	Capital expenditure from restricted funds	Transfers	Balance as at 31 March 2024
	£	£	£	£	£	£
General funds	7,360	38,855	- 40,494	-	5,000	10,721
Designated funds:						
Future depreciation of roof, solar panels and fencing	72,794	-	-	-	- 5,000	67,794
	80,154	38,855	- 40,494	-	-	78,515

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024 (continued)

14. RESTRICTED INCOME FUNDS

	Balance at 1 April 2023	Income	Expenditure	Capital expenditure from restricted funds	Transfers	Balance as at 31 March 2024
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Sovereign Housing:						
Local Initiative	2,668	-	-	-	-	2,668
Bernard Kenneth Hufton Charity						
Furniture & Fittings	-	-	-	-	-	-
Doris Field Trust						
LED Lighting	1,000		-		-	1,000
EV charging	-	-	-	-	-	-
Co-operative Community Fund	-	-	-	-	-	-
Oxfordshire County Council	500	-	-	-	-	500
Department of Zero Emissions	-	-	-	-	-	-
TVPCF (security)	-	780	- 510	-	-	270
Total restricted funds	4,168	780	- 510	-	-	4,438

15. ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS BETWEEN FUNDS

	31 March 2024 Unrestricted	31 March 2024 Restricted	31 March 2024 Total
	£	£	£
Tangible Fixed Assets	98,048	-	98,048
Current Assets	- 324	4,437	4,113
Current Liabilities	- 19,209	-	- 19,209
	78,516	4,437	82,953

16. TRUSTEES AND OTHER RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

No trustees received any remuneration, expenses or received any other benefits from an employment with the charity.

There were no related party transactions during this financial year (2022-23: nil)

17. KEY MANAGEMENT PERSONNEL

The key management personnel are the trustees. There is therefore no associated cost.

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Dean Court Community Association

I report on the accounts of the company for the year ended 31 March 2024, which are set out on pages 12 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.

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(5)(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

SPX Oxford Limited provides bookkeeping services to Dean Court Community Association and I am an employee of this company. In order to maintain independence, I confirm that I have not been involved in provision of the bookkeeping service.

I also confirm that as a member of Chartered Association of Certified Accountants, I am subject to the provisions of the FRC's Revised Ethical Standard (2016). This standard has been applied throughout this independent examination.

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

(1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:

- to keep accounting records in accordance with section 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.

S. Sandhu

Name: Simrit Sandhu Date:
18 November 2024

DEAN COURT COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

England & Wales - Charity number 1146730

Accounts

DEAN COURT COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

ANNUAL REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st MARCH 2023



CHARITY REGISTRATION No: 1146730 COMPANY REGISTRATION No: 7966249

DEAN COURT COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION
(A COMPANY LIMITED BY GUARANTEE)

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LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

CHARITY NUMBER	1146730
COMPANY REGISTRATION NUMBER	7966249
TRUSTEES AS AT 8 NOVEMBER 2023	Brian Ahern Emma Bartlett (resigned 6 September 2022) Antje Frotscher (appointed 22 June 2022) Anna Pearson Derek Rawson Judith Roberts Morwenna White Edward Williamson (resigned 21 November 2022)
REGISTERED ADDRESS	Dean Court Community Centre Pinnocks Way Oxford Oxfordshire OX2 9DG
DATE OF INCORPORATION	27 February 2012
GOVERNING DOCUMENT	Memorandum and Articles incorporated 27 February 2012
BANKERS	The Co-operative Bank Virgin Money
INDEPENDENT EXAMINER	Simrit Sandhu ACCA

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

Structure Governance and Management

The Dean Court Community Association was established in February 2012. The Association is registered with the Charity Commission (no 1146730) and with Companies House (registration no 7966249) and conforms to the standards and procedures required by these two bodies. The Directors of the company are the Trustees for the purpose of charity law and are referred to as the Trustees.

The purpose of Dean Court Community Association is to develop a healthy, thriving community within the Parish of Cumnor, Oxfordshire, centred in the Ward of Dean Court. A non-profit organisation, DCCA seeks to fulfil its aims by holding events, producing a regular newsletter and establishing a meeting place for local activities. Income generated in excess of the requirements for management and maintenance will be used for community development. The area of benefit is Cumnor Parish and the adjoining North Hinksey Parish.

The land on which the Community Centre is built is owned by the Vale of White Horse District Council with whom the Trustees have entered into a 25 year Lease in February 2014.

The Trustees meet monthly and more often as necessary. The Trustees delegate the running of the Centre to the employed staff and team of volunteers.

The Trustees continue to seek new Trustees who live in the community. They invite potential Trustees to attend a meeting so that they have an opportunity to learn about the scope of the charity and how they might contribute to its aims and objectives, prior to becoming a Trustee.

One of the Trustees is currently a local County, District and Parish Councillor thereby providing links with those bodies. Other Trustees provide links with St Andrew's Church, Fogwell Pavillion and the local network of Whatsapp groups that have sprung up since the lockdowns, furthering our desire to work collaboratively with other local organisations.

Objects

To promote the benefit of the inhabitants of the area of benefit without distinction of sex, sexual orientation, age, disability, nationality, race or of political, religious or other opinions, by associating together the said inhabitants and the statutory authorities, voluntary and other organisations in a common effort to promote a sense of community among the inhabitants and to provide facilities in the interests of social welfare for recreation and leisure-time occupation with the object of improving the conditions of life for the said inhabitants;

To maintain and manage Dean Court Community Centre (whether alone or in co-operation with any statutory authority or other person or body) in furtherance of the objects;

To promote such other purposes as are charitable according to the laws of England and Wales for the benefit of the public as may from time to time be determined.

Achievements and Performance

Community Centre

The main activity during the year has been the consolidation of the Solar and Environmental Project at a cost of over £100,000. We are grateful to those who have supported the Centre with grants and loans, and these are detailed later in this report. The project included the following works:

- Renew the Main Hall roof
- Add 40 solar panels to the new roof
- Provide battery storage
- Replace the wall on the southern boundary with a fence and gate to allow better access to the adjoining Play Park
- Replace the fencing and retaining wall to the eastern boundary
- Extend the new fencing to separate the overflow parking at the front of the Centre
- Provide 2 x Electric Vehicle Charging Points

We were delighted that the roof renewal and solar panel installation and battery were completed in September 2021 and that the Centre is now using much of its own generated electricity to support its activities. We have also maintained and developed the usage of the Community Centre by arranging both regular and occasional lettings for the benefit of the local community.

We were able to celebrate completion of the Solar and Environmental Project with a ***Switch on*** held on 30th July 2022 which included the unveiling of a plaque by our new gate that reads:

This gate is in the memory of
Fiona Wheeler
who loved to bring people together
and contributed so much to Dean Court
1984-2019

We remember the late Fiona Wheeler who was a much valued Trustee of the Centre for many years.

We were pleased to be able to welcome back many of our regular hirers as we eased out of lockdown, following the Coronavirus pandemic. We also continued to lend out our laptops to local children for use at home this period and this was much appreciated.

The Trustees have let one room in the Community Centre to The Police and Crime Commissioner for Thames Valley for use by its Community Police Officers under a lease for seven years dated 12th January 2015. Terms have been agreed for the renewal of this lease for a further period of seven years from January 2022.

We have continued to seek external funding for paying off the outstanding loans of **£15,000** for the Project, taken out to enable the project to be undertaken in July-September 2021, thereby protecting other grant conditions that were time limited.

During the year we have received the following grants in response to Appeal 2022/2023:

Source	Amount £	Status	Purpose
Oxfordshire County Council (Councillor Priority Fund)	3,000	Received	Towards EV Charging Points; provision of CCTV and signage to EV spaces
Co-operative Community Fund	1,750	Received	Towards EV Charging
Doris Field Charitable Trust	1,000	Received	Towards EV Charging Points
Government Department for ZE	700	Received	Towards EV Charging Points

Total external (restricted) grants **£6,450** *(£64,988 (2021/2022)).*

We have also received a grant of **£2,667** from the Vale of White Horse District Council towards our running costs in April 2022 and **£100** from Cumnor Parish Council towards our Platinum Jubilee celebration in June 2022. We thank both Councils for their support.

Local fundraising
We are also grateful to those who have continued to support the Centre through regular donations and we wish to encourage more support in this way. We enrolled for the White Horse Community Lottery in July 2021 and this year we have raised **£312** from this source.

The EV Charge points will become another source of income during 2023/2024 and which will assist with the repayment of the loans.

Engagement with the Community
All the Trustees live within the Dean Court Ward of Cumnor Parish Council and therefore have contact with others in that community.

The Dean Court Community Association website (www.deancourtcc.org.uk) provides information about the organisation.

The Trustees also maintain contact with the community through leaflets for one-off events and invitations to the Annual General Meeting being posted on community noticeboards throughout Cumnor Parish.

Community Service
The premises provide a number of meeting rooms for use by the local community as follows:

Main Hall (113sqm, normal capacity 100)
Orange Room (46sqm, normal capacity 25)
Yellow Room (30sqm, normal capacity 20); and
Blue Room (14sqm, normal capacity 10).

In addition, there is a Centre Office and an office for the local Police Community Support Officer.

The Trustees are pleased to report that the spaces in the Centre have been used on over **1020** occasions (2021/2022 – 800) by **89** different hirers (2021/2022 - 58). Many of these are regular bookings by groups including Acupuncture, Baby Ballet, Bounce Fit Body, Christian Congregation, Dance group, Dog Training, Holistic Health class, Hungarian School, Martial Arts, Meadowbrook College, Muslim Prayer Group, National Childbirth Trust, Oxford Gospel Choir, Photography Shoots, PSB4 (Supporting People with Learning Disabilities), Ronin Theatre Company, Court Crafting, and Yoga. We were delighted to host many private parties and celebrations during the year.

We were delighted to welcome back (post pandemic) the Guides and Rainbows and the University of the Third Age (West Oxford Group). We were particularly pleased to be able to assist our neighbour, St Andrews Church, whose church was being rebuilt during the year, by providing space for worship and recreation during the year until their new church building was opened in the autumn of 2022.

We provide a welcome to local residents with Community Coffee on Wednesdays during term-time and Court Crafting allows those with various crafting skills to meet together on a regular basis.

We are pleased to be able offer subsidised rates to 9 local organisations and charities.

Financial Review
Total Incoming Resources were **£33,029** during the period ended 31 March 2023 (£106,151 – March 2022) and Total Resources Expended **£42,082** (£39,936 – March 2022), producing a deficit of income over expenditure of **£9,053.** Including the balance brought forward on 1 April 2022, total funds decreased from £93,373 (31 March 2022) to **£84,320** as at 31 March 2023. However, of this amount, **£72,794** are designated income funds to be used in meeting our requirements for depreciation over future years.

The Trustees note that in its ninth full year of operation, although the income from its charitable activities exceeded the figure proposed in its business plan, much of this income came from one-off grants to compensate for lost income whilst the Centre was closed and from grants received for the Roofing, Solar and Fencing Project.

As the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic eased, DCCA has acted fully on advice from Community First Oxfordshire and Action with Communities in Rural England (ACRE) on how to ensure, as far as possible, that The Centre is a covid-secure environment for our users, staff and volunteers. As a result, our expenditure on cleaning continued to absorb a high proportion of our letting income.

Reserves Policy
The usual aim of the Trustees is to have unrestricted cash equivalent reserves of at least **£8,000** being equivalent to three months running costs.

As a result of the building project in 2021/2022, the capital costs of which will be depreciated over a number of years, and as we used our unrestricted reserves as at 31 March 2021, also to fund the project, we now have a negative balance in respect of our reserves policy as at 31 March 2023.

However, the Trustees are confident that given the increase in the number of bookings throughout the year that they will continue to operate successfully and will also continue to seek funds to to repay the internal loans, seeking to have a positive unrestricted reserve as at 31 March 2024.

With the solar panels and storage battery mitigating the impact of future energy price increases, together with the income generated from the EV charging points, we are confident that the centre will continue to be affordable for future users.

Grant Making Policy
The main charitable purpose of Dean Court Community Association is currently to run the Community Centre for the benefit of local organisations and individuals living in Cumnor and North Hinksey Parishes.

Its prime purpose is therefore to use its income generated from room hire to pay for the expenses of running the centre including staff, energy costs and maintenance.

It therefore does not offer grants to either individuals or other organisations that are unrelated to the running of the Centre.

It will however consider applications for grants from potential hirers who can show the following:

a) They live within Cumnor or North Hinksey Parish
b) The reason for the grant is to reduce the cost of hiring a room/rooms within the Centre
c) Any grant offered will be a reduction in the hire costs, and not paid in cash
d) If an organisation, by supplying their last set of accounts (to include a statement of income and expenditure for its last accounting year together with the amount in reserves).

The maximum value of any grant offered will not normally exceed £250.

All applications must be by letter to the Trustees stating what the applicant wishes to do, the purpose of the grant and the amount of grant requested. All applications will be acknowledged and applicants informed of the timescale for making a decision.

We were pleased to be able to offer subsidised hiring rates to 9 local organisations and charities during the year.

Legal liabilities
The Trustees have entered into a lease for the building with the Vale of White Horse District Council for a period of 25 years commencing on 27 February 2014. The lease is on a full repairing and insuring basis and the estimated costs of meeting these liabilities have been included in the five-year Business Plan. The rent payable is subject to review every five years, with the increase based on increases in the Retail Prices Index.

The Trustees entered into a sub-lease with the Thames Valley Police for a period of 7 years commencing on 12th January 2015. The lease was renewed in January 2022 for a further period of 7 years. The tenant pays an initial rent of £250 per annum together with a service charge (estimated at £300 per annum) relating to the landlord's costs of managing and maintaining the premises. The Trustees produce service charge accounts each year and these have shown that actual costs do not exceed the estimated figure.

Investment Policy
The association's funds are maintained within an interest bearing current account at the Co-operative Bank. The association also has a bank account with Virgin Money, giving itself greater protection for its liquid assets.

Given its ninth year of operation, the Trustees consider that the cash reserves position is reasonable for the size of its overall operation and therefore currently do not propose to make any long term investments. Any surplus funds are being applied to the building project that started in July 2021.

People
The Trustees have been supported by two paid administrative staff for most of the year and wish to record their thanks to them for maintaining the bookings and related financial activity so efficiently, particularly given the restrictions in opening due to the pandemic. The Trustees have a pension scheme with **Nest** (National Employment Savings Trust) and staff members are invited to join this scheme. The Trustees are registered as an employer with **HMRC** giving them greater flexibility in the future employment of staff.

The Trustees also wish to thank the volunteers and staff who spent many hours keeping up to date with the current Government regulations and ensuring that the Centre could be let safely, and supporting the centre in various ways, including opening and closing the Community Centre for occasional hirers, when it was safe to do so.

The Trustees thank Emma Bartlett for her many contributions both as a Trustee and Volunteer over many years and Ed Williamson for his more recent service as a Trustee from October 2021 to November 2022. We have welcomed Antje Frotscher as a Trustee during the year.

Statement of Trustees' responsibility

The Charities Act and the Companies Act require the Board of Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year, which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity as at the end of the financial year and of the surplus or deficit of the charity. In preparing those financial statements the Board is required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in business.
- state whether applicable accounting standards and statements of recommended practice have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements.

The Trustees are also responsible for maintaining adequate accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and which are sufficient to show and explain the charity's transactions and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006 and comply with regulations made under the Charities Act. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

The Trustees are also responsible for the contents of the Trustees' Report and the responsibility of the Independent Examiner in relation to the trustees' report is limited to examining the report and ensuring that, on the face of the report, there are no inconsistencies with the figures disclosed in the financial statements.

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

I approve the attached statement of financial activities and balance sheet for the year ended 31 March 2023 and confirm that I have made available all information necessary for its preparation.

Signature..... Date.8th November 2023

Brian Ahern Chair of Trustees

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023
Incorporating Income and Expenditure Account

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2023 £	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2022 £
Income from:							
Donations and legacies	2	812	6,450	7,262	12,013	64,994	77,007
Charitable activities	3	25,589	-	25,589	29,110	-	29,110
Investments	4	178	-	178	34	-	34
Total income		26,579	6,450	33,029	41,157	64,994	106,151
Expenditure on:							
Raising funds	5	333	-	333	555	-	555
Charitable activities	6	40,954	795	41,749	36,156	3,225	39,381
Total expenditure		41,287	795	42,082	36,711	3,225	39,936
Net income / -expenditure		- 14,708	5,655	- 9,053	4,446	61,769	66,215
Transfers between funds		5,644	- 5,644	-	71,844	- 71,844	-
Net movement in funds		- 9,064	11	- 9,053	76,290	- 10,075	66,215
Reconciliation of funds:							
Total funds brought forwards		89,217	4,156	93,373	12,927	14,231	27,158
Total funds carried forward		80,153	4,167	84,320	89,217	4,156	93,373

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 MARCH 2023

	Notes	2023 £	2023 £	2022 £	2022 £
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible Assets	10		106,498		98,328
CURRENT ASSETS					
Debtors	11	530		3,388	
Cash at bank		4,129		20,993	
		4,658		24,381	
CREDITORS: Amounts falling due within one year	12	26,836		29,336	
NET CURRENT ASSETS			- 22,178		- 4,955
NET ASSETS			84,320		93,373
FUNDS					
INCOME FUNDS					
Unrestricted Income funds	13		7,359		17,373
Designated income funds	13		72,794		71,844
Restricted Income funds	14		4,167		4,156
TOTAL INCOME FUNDS			84,320		93,373

For the year ended 31 March 2023 the company was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.
Trustees responsibilities:

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

These financial statements were approved by the members of the committee and authorised for issue on 8th NOVEMBER 2023 and are signed on their behalf by:

.....

Brian Ahern, Chair of Trustees

The notes on pages 13-20 form part of these financial statements.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparation
The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Charities Act 2011 and in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP): Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS102) issued on 16 July 2014 and the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102).

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

The trustees have considered the potential impact of Covid-19 on the running of the Community Centre in 2020/2021 and can report that they have received grants amounting to £16,408 since the year end to offset the loss of letting income. They are therefore confident that there are no other material uncertainties about the Trust's ability to continue as a going concern and having considered all the circumstances, are confident that the future of the centre is secure for the next year.

Income
All incoming resources are included in the statement of financial activities when the charity is legally entitled to the income and the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy. Donations and legacies are reported in the Statement of Financial Activities if they are received or due in the financial year.

Donated professional services and donated facilities are recognised as restricted income when the economic benefit is transferred and the benefit can be measured reliably. In accordance with the Charities SORP 2015 (FRS102) volunteer time is not recognised in the financial statements.

Expenditure and liabilities
Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all costs 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. Expenditure represents amounts invoiced, including value added tax.
Donations are accounted for on a paid basis.

Tangible Fixed Assets and Depreciation
These are capitalised if they can be used for more than one year, and cost at least £500 They are valued at cost or, if gifted, at the value to the charity on receipt. Depreciation is charged on the following basis:
Fixtures, Fittings and furniture – straight line over 5 years
Computer equipment – straight line over 3 years

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023 (continued)

Taxation

The Charity is exempt from corporation tax on its charitable activities. Value Added Tax is not recoverable by the Charity and as such is included in the relevant costs in the statement of financial activities.

Commitments

There are no annual commitments under non-cancelling operating leases at 31 March 2023 (2022: none).

2. INCOME FROM DONATIONS AND LEGACIES

	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total Funds 2023	Total Funds 2022
	£	£	£	£
Donations	380	-	380	10,757
Fundraising income (White Horse Lottery)	312	-	312	76
Grants	-	6,450	6,450	64,994
Gift Aid	120	-	120	1,180
Total Donations	812	6,450	7,262	77,007

3. INCOME FROM CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total Funds 2023	Total Funds 2022
	£	£	£	£
Grants	2,767	-	2,767	8,617
Room bookings	20,644	-	20,644	17,009
Coffee club income	661	-	661	796
Rental income	742	-	742	844
Equipment hire	125	-	125	-
Events income	650	-	650	-
Other income	-	-	-	1,844
Total Charitable activities	25,589	-	25,589	29,110

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023 (continued)

4. INVESTMENT INCOME

	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total Funds 2023	Total Funds 2022
	£	£	£	£
Bank interest	178	-	178	34

5. EXPENDITURE ON RAISING FUNDS

	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total Funds 2023	Total Funds 2022
	£	£	£	£
Events costs	333	-	333	555
	333	-	333	555

6. EXPENDITURE ON CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total Funds 2023	Total Funds 2022
	£	£	£	£
Staffing costs	9,969	-	9,969	8,316
Utilities	2,706	95	2,801	3,499
Cleaning and maintenance	8,108	217	8,325	8,369
Professional fees (lease and building project management)	882	-	882	2,601
Bookkeeping services	2,200	-	2,200	2,200
Community Coffee costs	159	-	159	857
Sundry equipment	123	62	185	246
Kitchen and office supplies	531	421	952	77
Fixtures, fittings and furniture	34	-	34	122
Telephone and IT	265	-	265	373
Insurance	1,879	-	1,879	1,767
Rent	- 20	-	- 20	20
Interest payable	320	-	320	20
Depreciation	8,725	-	8,725	7,588
Other expenditure	120	-	120	478
Bank charges	11	-	11	54
Governance	4,942	-	4,942	4,994
Total charitable activities	40,954	795	41,749	41,581

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023 (continued)

7. GOVERNANCE COSTS

	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total Funds 2023	Total Funds 2022
	£	£	£	£
Independent Examination	196	-	196	180
Accountancy services	1,908	-	1,908	1,528
Legal and professional fees	1,740	-	1,740	-
Other governance expenses	389	-	389	417
Subscriptions	709	-	709	669
	4,942	-	4,942	2,794

8. NET INCOME/EXPENDITURE FOR THE YEAR

	2023	2022
	£	£
Directors' remuneration	-	-
Depreciation	8,725	7,588

9. STAFF COSTS AND NUMBERS

	2023	2022
	£	£
Wages	9,969	8,316
Social security costs	-	-
	9,969	8,316

The average number of staff employed during the year was 2.0 (2022: 2.5). No employee received any pay or benefits in excess of £60,000 in either year.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023 (continued)

10. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Fixtures, Fittings, Furniture and Other Equipment	Computer Equipment	Leasehold Improvements	Total
	£	£	£	£
COST				
At 1 April 2022	16,465	7,665	115,906	140,036
Additions	-	-	16,895	16,895
Disposals				-
At 31 March 2023	16,465	7,665	132,801	156,931
DEPRECIATION				
At 1 April 2022	16,465	7,665	17,578	41,708
Charge for the year	-	-	8,725	8,725
Disposals				-
At 31 March 2023	16,465	7,665	26,303	50,433
NET BOOK VALUE				
At 31 March 2023	-	-	106,498	106,498
At 1 April 2022	-	-	98,328	98,328

11. DEBTORS

	2023	2022
	£	£
Gift Aid receivable	-	-
Other debtors	530	2,676
Prepayments	-	712
	530	3,388

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023 (continued)

12. CREDITORS AND ACCRUALS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2023	2022
	£	£
Income received in advance	1,598	1,621
Police service charge	-	107
Other creditors	1,368	762
Loan	15,000	15,000
Accruals	8,870	11,846
	26,837	29,336

13. UNRESTRICTED INCOME FUNDS

	Balance at 1 April 2022	Income	Expenditure	Capital expenditure from restricted funds	Transfers	Balance as at 31 March 2023
	£	£	£	£	£	£
General funds	17,373	26,579	- 41,287	-	4,694	7,359
Designated funds:						
Future depreciation of roof, solar panels and fencing	71,844	-	-	5,950	- 5,000	72,794
	89,217	26,579	- 41,287	5,950	- 306	80,153

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023 (continued)

14. RESTRICTED INCOME FUNDS

	Balance at 1 April 2022	Income	Expenditure	Capital expenditure from restricted funds	Transfers	Balance as at 31 March 2023
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Sovereign Housing:						
Local Initiative	2,939	-	- 272	-	-	2,667
Bernard Kenneth Hufton Charity						
Furniture & Fittings	217	-	- 523	-	306	-
Doris Field Trust						
LED Lighting	1,000		-		-	1,000
EV charging		1,000	-	- 1,000	-	-
Co-operative Community Fund	-	1,750	-	- 1,750	-	-
Oxfordshire County Council	-	3,000	-	- 2,500	-	500
Department of Zero Emissions	-	700	-	- 700	-	-
Total restricted funds	4,156	6,450	- 795	- 5,950	306	4,167

15. ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS BETWEEN FUNDS

	31 March 2023 Unrestricted	31 March 2023 Restricted	31 March 2023 Total
	£	£	£
Tangible Fixed Assets	106,498	-	106,498
Current Assets	491	4,167	4,658
Current Liabilities	- 26,836	-	- 26,836
	80,153	4,167	84,320

16. TRUSTEES AND OTHER RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

No trustees received any remuneration, expenses or received any other benefits from an employment with the charity.

There were no related party transactions during this financial year (2021-22: nil)

17. KEY MANAGEMENT PERSONNEL

The key management personnel are the trustees. There is therefore no associated cost.

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Dean Court Community Association

I report on the accounts of the company for the year ended 31 March 2023, which are set out on pages 12 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.

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(5)(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

SPX Oxford Limited provides bookkeeping services to Dean Court Community Association and I am an employee of this company. In order to maintain independence, I confirm that I have not been involved in provision of the bookkeeping service.

I also confirm that as a member of Chartered Association of Certified Accountants, I am subject to the provisions of the FRC's Revised Ethical Standard (2016). This standard has been applied throughout this independent examination.

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

(1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:

- to keep accounting records in accordance with section 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.

Name: Simrit Sandhu S Sandhu

Date: 10 November 2023

DEAN COURT COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

England & Wales - Charity number 1146730

Accounts

DEAN COURT COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

ANNUAL REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st MARCH 2022

CHARITY REGISTRATION No: 1146730 COMPANY REGISTRATION No: 7966249

DEAN COURT COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION
(A COMPANY LIMITED BY GUARANTEE)

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LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

CHARITY NUMBER	1146730
COMPANY REGISTRATION NUMBER	7966249
TRUSTEES AS AT 9 NOVEMBER 2022	Brian Ahern Emma Bartlett (resigned 30 August 2022) Antje Frotscher (appointed 22 June 2022) Bryan Goudman (resigned 3 May 2022) Anna Pearson Derek Rawson Judith Roberts Morwenna White Edward Williamson (appointed 13 October 2021)
REGISTERED ADDRESS	Dean Court Community Centre Pinnocks Way Oxford Oxfordshire OX2 9DG
DATE OF INCORPORATION	27 February 2012
GOVERNING DOCUMENT	Memorandum and Articles incorporated 27 February 2012
BANKERS	The Co-operative Bank Virgin Money
INDEPENDENT EXAMINER	Surinder Singh ACCA

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

Structure Governance and Management

The Dean Court Community Association was established in February 2012. The Association is registered with the Charity Commission (no 1146730) and with Companies House (registration no 7966249) and conforms to the standards and procedures required by these two bodies. The Directors of the company are the Trustees for the purpose of charity law and are referred to as the Trustees.

The purpose of Dean Court Community Association is to develop a healthy, thriving community within the Parish of Cumnor, Oxfordshire, centred in the Ward of Dean Court. A non-profit organisation, DCCA seeks to fulfil its aims by holding events, producing a regular newsletter and establishing a meeting place for local activities. Income generated in excess of the requirements for management and maintenance will be used for community development. The area of benefit is Cumnor Parish and the adjoining North Hinksey Parish.

The land on which the Community Centre is built is owned by the Vale of White Horse District Council with whom the Trustees have entered into a 25 year Lease in February 2014.

The Trustees meet at least six times each year and more often as necessary. The Trustees delegate the running of the Centre to the employed staff and team of volunteers.

The Trustees continue to seek new Trustees who live in the community. They invite potential Trustees to attend a meeting so that they have an opportunity to learn about the scope of the charity and how they might contribute to its aims and objectives, prior to becoming a Trustee.

One of the Trustees is currently a local County, District and Parish Councillor thereby providing links with those bodies. Other Trustees provide links with St Andrew's Church, Fogwell Pavillion and the local network of Whatsapp groups that have sprung up since the lockdowns, furthering our desire to work collaboratively with other local organisations.

Objects

To promote the benefit of the inhabitants of the area of benefit without distinction of sex, sexual orientation, age, disability, nationality, race or of political, religious or other opinions, by associating together the said inhabitants and the statutory authorities, voluntary and other organisations in a common effort to promote a sense of community among the inhabitants and to provide facilities in the interests of social welfare for recreation and leisure-time occupation with the object of improving the conditions of life for the said inhabitants;

To maintain and manage Dean Court Community Centre (whether alone or in co-operation with any statutory authority or other person or body) in furtherance of the objects;

To promote such other purposes as are charitable according to the laws of England and Wales for the benefit of the public as may from time to time be determined.

Achievements and Performance

Community Centre

The main activity during the year has been the implementation of the Solar and Environmental Project at a cost of over £100,000. We are grateful to those who have supported the Centre with grants and loans, and these are detailed later in this report. The project included the following works:

- Renew the Main Hall roof
- Add 40 solar panels to the new roof
- Provide battery storage
- Replace the wall on the southern boundary with a fence and gate to allow better access to the Play Park
- Replace the fencing and retaining wall to the eastern boundary
- Extend the new fencing to separate the overflow parking at the front of the Centre.

We were delighted that the roof renewal and solar panel installation and battery were completed in September 2021 and that the Centre has already been using its own electricity to support its activities.

We have also maintained and developed the usage of the Community Centre by arranging both regular and occasional lettings for the benefit of the local community.

We were pleased to be able to welcome back many of our regular hirers as we eased out of lockdown, following the Coronavirus pandemic. We were pleased to be able to continue to lend out our laptops to local children for use at home this period and this was much appreciated.

The Trustees have let one room in the Community Centre to The Police and Crime Commissioner for Thames Valley for use by its Community Police Officers under a lease for seven years dated 12th January 2015. Terms have been agreed for the renewal of this lease for a further period of seven years.

We were sorry to lose the services of our Centre Manager during the year but the Trustees have been able to rearrange the management of the Centre by increasing responsibilities of our current staff, an Administrator and Finance Administrator, with additional support from our Trustees. We wish to place on record our thanks to the Centre Manager this year especially for all their efforts in writing grant applications for our Solar and Environmental Project.

We also received income from the Government's Furlough Scheme amounting to **£117** during the year.

In addition, we received the following offers of grants in response to Appeal 2020:

Source	Amount £	Status	Purpose
FCC Communities Foundation	42,123	Received	Main roof renewal and fencing
Garfield Weston	7,500	Received	Whole project
OxFutures/Low Carbon Hub	7,300	Received	Solar Panels and Storage Battery
Bernard Sunley Foundation	5,000	Received	Whole project
Fiona Wheeler Charitable Foundation	2,065	Confirmed	Towards new fencing and gate on southern boundary
Doris Field Charitable Trust	1,000	Received	Towards Storage Battery

Total external grants **£64,988** *(£29,148 (2020/2021)).*

Local fundraising
For the first time, we took part in the Big Give Christmas Challenge 2021. We were delighted to raise over **£10,500** in one week from our 12 pledgers, charity champion (The Helping Hands Fund) and 68 people who donated on-line during the week. We are continuing to fundraise for the project to repay loans taken out to enable the project to be undertaken in July-September 2021, thereby protecting grant conditions that were time limited.

We are also grateful to those who have continued to support the Centre through regular donations and we wish to encourage more support in this way. We enrolled for the White Horse Community Lottery in July 2021 and by the end of the financial year had raised £93. We expect a full year to raise a minimum of £260 based on the current level of ticket sales.

Engagement with the Community
All the Trustees live within the Dean Court Ward of Cumnor Parish Council and therefore have contact with others in that community.

The Dean Court Community Association website (www.deancourtcc.org.uk) provides information about the organisation.

The Trustees also maintain contact with the community through leaflets for one-off events and invitations to the Annual General Meeting being posted on community noticeboards throughout Cumnor Parish.

Community Service
The premises provide a number of meeting rooms for use by the local community as follows:

Main Hall (113sqm, normal capacity 100)
Orange Room (46sqm, normal capacity 25)
Yellow Room (30sqm, normal capacity 20); and
Blue Room (14sqm, normal capacity 10).

In addition, there is a Centre Office and an office for the local Police Community Support Officer.

Given the pandemic and our roofing and environmental project, the eighth full year of operation for the Centre was like no other. The Trustees are pleased to report that despite these restrictions, the spaces in the Centre have been used on over **800** occasions (2020/2021 – 330) by **58** different hirers (2020/2021 - 39). Many of these are regular bookings by groups including Acupuncture, Archery, Baby Ballet, Baby College, Bounce Fit Body, Christian Congregation, Dance group, Goody 4 Paws, Holistic Health class, Hungarian School, Martial Arts, Meadowbrook College, Muslim Prayer Group, Oxford Gospel Choir, Photography Shoots, PSB4 (Supporting People with Learning Disabilities), Ronin Theatre Company, Sign and Sing Oxford, Seated Exercise, Zumba, Court Crafting, and Yoga.

We were delighted to welcome back the Guides and Brownies and the University of the Third Age (West Oxford Group). We were particularly pleased to be able to assist our neighbour, St Andrews Church, whose church was being rebuilt during the year, by providing space for worship and recreation during the year.

We are pleased to be able offer subsidised rates to 9 local organisations and charities.

Financial Review

Total Incoming Resources were **£106,151** during the period ended 31 March 2022 and Total Resources Expended **£39,936** producing a surplus of income over expenditure of **£66,215.** Including the balance brought forward on 1 April 2021, total funds increased from £27,158 (31 March 2021) to **£93,373** as at 31 March 2022. However, of this amount, £71,844 are designated income funds to be used in meeting our requirements for depreciation over future years.

The Trustees note that in its eighth full year of operation, although the income from its charitable activities exceeded the figure proposed in its business plan, much of this income came from one-off grants to compensate for lost income whilst the Centre was closed and from grants received for the Roofing, Solar and Fencing Project.

As the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic eased, DCCA has acted fully on advice from Community First Oxfordshire and Action with Communities in Rural England (ACRE) on how to ensure, as far as possible, that The Centre is a covid-secure environment for our users, staff and volunteers. As a result, our expenditure on cleaning continued to absorb a high proportion of our letting income.

Reserves Policy

The usual aim of the Trustees is to have unrestricted cash equivalent reserves of at least **£8,000** being equivalent to three months running costs. As at 31 March 2021, we had cash equivalent reserves of **£11,826.**

As a result of the building project in 2021/2022, the capital costs of which will be depreciated over a number of years, and as we used our unrestricted reserves as at 31 March 2021, also to fund the project, we now have a negative balance in respect of our reserves policy as at 31 March 2022.

However, the Trustees are confident that given the increase in the number of bookings throughout the year that they will continue to operate successfully and will also continue to seek funds to complete the project and to repay the internal loans, seeking to have a positive unrestricted reserve as at 31 March 2023.

With the solar panels and storage battery mitigating the impact of future energy price increases, we are confident that the centre will continue to be affordable for future users.

Grant Making Policy

The main charitable purpose of Dean Court Community Association is currently to run the Community Centre for the benefit of local organisations and individuals living in Cumnor and North Hinksey Parishes.

Its prime purpose is therefore to use its income generated from room hire to pay for the expenses of running the centre including staff, energy costs and maintenance.

It therefore does not offer grants to either individuals or other organisations that are unrelated to the running of the Centre.

It will however consider applications for grants from potential hirers who can show the following:

a) They live within Cumnor or North Hinksey Parish
b) The reason for the grant is to reduce the cost of hiring a room/rooms within the Centre
c) Any grant offered will be a reduction in the hire costs, and not paid in cash
d) If an organisation, by supplying their last set of accounts (to include a statement of income and expenditure for its last accounting year together with the amount in reserves).

The maximum value of any grant offered will not normally exceed £250.

All applications must be by letter to the Trustees stating what the applicant wishes to do, the purpose of the grant and the amount of grant requested. All applications will be acknowledged and applicants informed of the timescale for making a decision.

We were pleased to be able to offer subsidised hiring rates to 9 local organisations and charities during the year.

Legal liabilities

The Trustees have entered into a lease for the building with the Vale of White Horse District Council for a period of 25 years commencing on 27 February 2014. The lease is on a full repairing and insuring basis and the estimated costs of meeting these liabilities have been included in the five year

Business Plan. The rent payable is subject to review every five years, with the increase based on increases in the Retail Prices Index.

The Trustees have entered into a sub-lease with the Thames Valley Police for a period of 7 years commencing on 12th January 2015. The tenant pays a rent of £250 per annum together with a service charge (estimated at £300 per annum) relating to the landlord's costs of managing and maintaining the premises. The Trustees have produced service charge accounts for the years ending March 2015 – March 2020 inclusive and these have shown that actual costs do not exceed the estimated figure. The accounts (page 18) show a sundry creditor of £107 on behalf of Thames Valley Police should the freeholder decide to issue Insurance invoices, a proportion of which is recoverable through the service charge.

Investment Policy

The association's funds are maintained within an interest bearing current account at the Co-operative Bank. The association also has a bank account with Virgin Money, giving itself greater protection for its liquid assets.

Given its eighth year of operation, the Trustees consider that the cash reserves are reasonable for the size of its overall operation and therefore currently do not propose to make any long term investments. Any surplus funds are being applied to the building project that started in July 2021.

People

The Trustees have been supported by three paid administrative staff for most of the year and wish to record their thanks to them for maintaining the bookings and related financial activity so efficiently, particularly given the restrictions in opening due to the pandemic. The Trustees have a pension scheme with **Nest** (National Employment Savings Trust) and staff members are invited to join this scheme. The Trustees are registered as an employer with **HMRC** giving them greater flexibility in the future employment of staff.

The Trustees also wish to thank the volunteers and staff who spent many hours keeping up to date with the current Government regulations and ensuring that the Centre could be let safely, and supporting the centre in various ways, including opening and closing the Community Centre for occasional hirers, when it was safe to do so.

The Trustees note the death of Bryan Goudman in April 2022 and wish to place on record their grateful thanks for his contribution to the work of the Association over many years, both as a Trustee and supporter and in particular for his efforts in engaging with the local community.

The Trustees welcomed Ed Williamson as a Trustee in October 2021.

Statement of Trustees' responsibility

The Charities Act and the Companies Act require the Board of Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year, which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity as at the end of the financial year and of the surplus or deficit of the charity. In preparing those financial statements the Board is required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in business.
- state whether applicable accounting standards and statements of recommended practice have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements.

The Trustees are also responsible for maintaining adequate accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and which are sufficient to show and explain the charity's transactions and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006 and comply with regulations made under the Charities Act. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

The Trustees are also responsible for the contents of the Trustees' Report and the responsibility of the Independent Examiner in relation to the trustees' report is limited to examining the report and ensuring that, on the face of the report, there are no inconsistencies with the figures disclosed in the financial statements.

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

I approve the attached statement of financial activities and balance sheet for the year ended 31 March 2022 and confirm that I have made available all information necessary for its preparation.

Signature.....

Date.....9th November 2022.

Brian Ahern Chair of Trustees

DEAN COURT COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION
(A COMPANY LIMITED BY GUARANTEE)

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022
Incorporating Income and Expenditure Account

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2022 £	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2021 £
Income from:							
Donations and legacies	2	12,013	64,994	77,007	-	-	-
Charitable activities	3	29,110	-	29,110	33,197	18,695	51,892
Investments	4	34	-	34	78	-	78
Total income		41,157	64,994	106,151	33,275	18,695	51,970
Expenditure on:							
Raising funds	5	555	-	555	-	4,528	4,528
Charitable activities	6	36,156	3,225	39,381	27,353	5,540	32,893
Other		-	-	-	-	-	-
Total expenditure		36,711	3,225	39,936	27,353	10,068	37,421
Net income / -expenditure		4,446	61,769	66,215	5,922	8,627	14,549
Transfers between funds		71,844	- 71,844	-	- 188	188	-
Net movement in funds		76,290	- 10,075	66,215	5,734	8,815	14,549
Reconciliation of funds:							
Total funds brought forwards		12,927	14,231	27,158	7,193	5,416	12,609
Total funds carried forward		89,217	4,156	93,373	12,927	14,231	27,158

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 MARCH 2022

	Notes	2022 £	2022 £	2021 £	2021 £
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible Assets	10		98,328		1,101
CURRENT ASSETS					
Debtors	11	3,388		1,525	
Cash at bank		20,993		32,941	
		24,381		34,466	
CREDITORS: Amounts falling due within one year	12	29,337		8,409	
NET CURRENT ASSETS			- 4,955		26,057
NET ASSETS			93,373		27,158
FUNDS					
INCOME FUNDS					
Unrestricted Income funds	13		17,372		12,927
Designated income funds	13		71,844		-
Restricted Income funds	14		4,156		14,231
TOTAL INCOME FUNDS			93,373		27,158

For the year ended 31 March 2022 the company was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.
Trustees responsibilities:

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

These financial statements were approved by the members of the committee and authorised for issue on 24 November 2022 and are signed on their behalf by:

.....

Brian Ahern, Chair of Trustees

The notes on pages 13-20 form part of these financial statements.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Charities Act 2011 and in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP): Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS102) issued on 16 July 2014 and the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102).

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

The trustees have considered the potential impact of Covid-19 on the running of the Community Centre in 2020/2021 and can report that they have received grants amounting to £16,408 since the year end to offset the loss of letting income. They are therefore confident that there are no other material uncertainties about the Trust's ability to continue as a going concern and having considered all the circumstances, are confident that the future of the centre is secure for the next year.

Income

All incoming resources are included in the statement of financial activities when the charity is legally entitled to the income and the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy. Donations and legacies are reported in the Statement of Financial Activities if they are received or due in the financial year.

Donated professional services and donated facilities are recognised as restricted income when the economic benefit is transferred and the benefit can be measured reliably. In accordance with the Charities SORP 2015 (FRS102) volunteer time is not recognised in the financial statements.

Expenditure and liabilities

Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all costs 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. Expenditure represents amounts invoiced, including value added tax.
Donations are accounted for on a paid basis.

Tangible Fixed Assets and Depreciation

These are capitalised if they can be used for more than one year, and cost at least £500 They are valued at cost or, if gifted, at the value to the charity on receipt. Depreciation is charged on the following basis:
Fixtures, Fittings and furniture – straight line over 5 years
Computer equipment – straight line over 3 years

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022 (continued)

Taxation

The Charity is exempt from corporation tax on its charitable activities. Value Added Tax is not recoverable by the Charity and as such is included in the relevant costs in the statement of financial activities.

Commitments

There are no annual commitments under non-cancelling operating leases at 31 March 2022 (2019: none).

2. INCOME FROM DONATIONS AND LEGACIES

	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total Funds 2022	Total Funds 2021
	£	£	£	£
Donations	10,757	-	10,757	13,109
Fundraising income (White Horse Lottery)	76	-	76	-
Grants	-	64,994	64,994	2,871
Gift Aid	1,180	-	1,180	2,715
Total Donations	12,013	64,994	77,007	18,695

3. INCOME FROM CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total Funds 2022	Total Funds 2021
	£	£	£	£
Grants	8,617	-	8,617	26,315
Room bookings	17,009	-	17,009	6,507
Coffee club income	796	-	796	-
Rental income	844	-	844	350
Equipment hire	-	-	-	25
Other income	1,844	-	1,844	-
Total Charitable activities	29,110	-	29,110	33,197

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022 (continued)

4. INVESTMENT INCOME

	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total Funds 2022	Total Funds 2021
	£	£	£	£
Bank interest	34	-	34	78

5. EXPENDITURE ON RAISING FUNDS

	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total Funds 2022	Total Funds 2021
	£	£	£	£
Fundraising costs	555	-	555	4,528
	555	-	555	4,528

6. EXPENDITURE ON CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total Funds 2022	Total Funds 2021
	£	£	£	£
Staffing costs	8,316	-	8,316	9,406
Utilities	3,499	-	3,499	1,992
Cleaning and maintenance	8,360	9	8,369	3,978
Professional fees (lease and building project management)	-	2,601	2,601	6,924
Community Coffee costs	857	-	857	-
Sundry equipment	-	246	246	246
Kitchen and office supplies	61	16	77	23
Fixtures, fittings and furniture	-	122	122	-
Telephone and IT	373	-	373	373
Insurance	1,767	-	1,767	1,767
Rent	20	-	20	1,072
Interest payable	20	-	20	-
Depreciation	7,588	-	7,588	1,542
Printing	-	-	-	486
Other expenditure	247	231	478	251
Bank charges	54	-	54	-
Training	-	-	-	45
Governance	4,994	-	4,994	4,788
Total charitable activities	36,156	3,225	39,381	32,893

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022 (continued)

7. GOVERNANCE COSTS

	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total Funds 2022	Total Funds 2021
	£	£	£	£
Independent Examination	180	-	180	180
Accountancy services	3,728	-	3,728	4,057
Other governance expenses	417	-	417	493
Subscriptions	669	-	669	58
	4,994	-	4,994	4,788

8. NET INCOME/EXPENDITURE FOR THE YEAR

	2022	2021
	£	£
Directors' remuneration	-	-
Depreciation	7,588	1,542

9. STAFF COSTS AND NUMBERS

	2022	2021
	£	£
Wages	8,316	9,406
Social security costs	-	-
	8,316	9,406

The average number of staff employed during the year was 2.5 (2021: 3.17). No employee received any pay or benefits in excess of £60,000 in either year.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022 (continued)

10. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Fixtures, Fittings, Furniture and Other Equipment	Computer Equipment	Leasehold Improvements	Total
	£	£	£	£
COST				
At 1 April 2021	16,465	7,665	11,091	35,221
Additions	-	-	104,815	104,815
Disposals				-
At 31 March 2022	16,465	7,665	115,906	140,036
DEPRECIATION				
At 1 April 2021	15,910	7,665	10,545	34,120
Charge for the year	555	-	7,033	7,588
Disposals				-
At 31 March 2022	16,465	7,665	17,578	41,708
NET BOOK VALUE				
At 31 March 2022	-	-	98,328	98,328
At 1 April 2021	555	-	546	1,101

11. DEBTORS

	2022	2021
	£	£
Other debtors	2,676	823
Prepayments	712	702
	3,388	1,525

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022 (continued)

12. CREDITORS AND ACCRUALS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2022	2021
	£	£
Trade creditors	-	1,000
Income received in advance	1,621	891
Police service charge	107	594
Other creditors	762	439
Loan	15,000	-
Accruals	11,847	5,485
	29,338	8,409

13. UNRESTRICTED INCOME FUNDS

	Balance at 1 April 2021	Income	Expenditure	Capital expenditure from restricted funds	Balance as at 31 March 2022
	£	£	£	£	£
General funds	12,927	41,157	- 36,711	-	17,373
Designated funds:					
Future depreciation of roof, solar panels and fencing	-	-	-	71,844	71,844
	12,927	41,157	- 36,711	71,844	89,217

14. RESTRICTED INCOME FUNDS

	Balance at 1 April 2021	Income	Expenditure	Capital expenditure from restricted funds	Balance as at 31 March 2022
	£	£	£	£	£
Sovereign Housing:					
Local Initiative	3,093	-	- 154	-	2,939
Bernard Kenneth Hufton Charity					
Furniture & Fittings	677	-	- 460	-	217
Doris Field Trust					
LED Lighting	1,000	-	-	-	1,000
Roofing, fencing and solar project	15,619	22,871	- 610	- 37,880	-
FCC Communities Foundation	- 6,158	42,123	- 2,001	- 33,964	-
Total restricted funds	14,231	64,994	- 3,225	- 71,844	4,156

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022 (continued)

15. ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS BETWEEN FUNDS

	31 March 2022 Unrestricted	31 March 2022 Restricted	31 March 2022 Total
	£	£	£
Tangible Fixed Assets	98,328	-	98,328
Current Assets	20,225	4,156	24,381
Current Liabilities	- 29,337	-	- 29,337
	89,216	4,156	93,373

16. TRUSTEES AND OTHER RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

No trustees received any remuneration, expenses or received any other benefits from an employment with the charity.

There were no related party transactions during this financial year (2020-21: nil)

17. KEY MANAGEMENT PERSONNEL

The key management personnel are the trustees. There is therefore no associated cost.

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Dean Court Community Association

I report on the accounts of the company for the year ended 31 March 2022, which are set out on pages 12 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.

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(5)(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

SPX Oxford Limited provides bookkeeping services to Dean Court Community Association and I am an employee of this company. In order to maintain independence, I confirm that I have not been involved in provision of the bookkeeping service.

I also confirm that as a member of Chartered Association of Certified Accountants, I am subject to the provisions of the FRC's Revised Ethical Standard (2016). This standard has been applied throughout this independent examination.

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

(1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:

- to keep accounting records in accordance with section 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.

Name: Surinder Singh

S. Singh

Date: 16 November 2022

DEAN COURT COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

England & Wales - Charity number 1146730

Accounts

DEAN COURT COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

ANNUAL REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st MARCH 2021



CHARITY REGISTRATION No: 1146730 COMPANY REGISTRATION No: 7966249

DEAN COURT COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION
(A COMPANY LIMITED BY GUARANTEE)

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LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

CHARITY NUMBER	1146730
COMPANY REGISTRATION NUMBER	7966249
TRUSTEES AS AT 31 MARCH 2021	Brian Ahern (appointed 14/4/2020) Emma Bartlett Brian Dent (resigned 14/4/2020) Bryan Goudman Anna Pearson Derek Rawson Judith Roberts Morwenna White
REGISTERED ADDRESS	Dean Court Community Centre Pinnocks Way Oxford Oxfordshire OX2 9DG
DATE OF INCORPORATION	27 February 2012
GOVERNING DOCUMENT	Memorandum and Articles incorporated 27 February 2012
BANKERS	The Co-operative Bank Virgin Money
INDEPENDENT EXAMINER	Sally Thompson CPFA

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021

Structure Governance and Management

The Dean Court Community Association was established in February 2012. The Association is registered with the Charity Commission (no 1146730) and with Companies House (registration no 7966249) and conforms to the standards and procedures required by these two bodies. The Directors of the company are the Trustees for the purpose of charity law and are referred to as the Trustees.

The purpose of Dean Court Community Association is to develop a healthy, thriving community within the Parish of Cumnor, Oxfordshire, centred in the Ward of Dean Court. A non-profit organisation, DCCA seeks to fulfil its aims by holding events, producing a regular newsletter and establishing a meeting place for local activities. Income generated in excess of the requirements for management and maintenance will be used for community development. The area of benefit is Cumnor Parish and the adjoining North Hinksey Parish.

The land on which the Community Centre is built is owned by the Vale of White Horse District Council with whom the Trustees have entered into a 25 year Lease in February 2014.

The Trustees meet at least six times each year and more often as necessary. The Trustees delegate the running of the Centre to the employed staff and team of volunteers.

The Trustees continue to seek new Trustees who live in the community. They invite potential Trustees to attend a meeting so that they have an opportunity to learn about the scope of the charity and how they might contribute to its aims and objectives, prior to becoming a Trustee.

One of the Trustees is currently a local County, District and Parish Councillor thereby providing links with those bodies. Other Trustees provide links with St Andrew's Church, Fogwell Pavillion and the local network of Whatsapp groups that have sprung up since the lockdowns, furthering our desire to work collaboratively with other local organisations.

Objects

To promote the benefit of the inhabitants of the area of benefit without distinction of sex, sexual orientation, age, disability, nationality, race or of political, religious or other opinions, by associating together the said inhabitants and the statutory authorities, voluntary and other organisations in a common effort to promote a sense of community among the inhabitants and to provide facilities in the interests of social welfare for recreation and leisure-time occupation with the object of improving the conditions of life for the said inhabitants;

To maintain and manage Dean Court Community Centre (whether alone or in co-operation with any statutory authority or other person or body) in furtherance of the objects;

To promote such other purposes as are charitable according to the laws of England and Wales for the benefit of the public as may from time to time be determined.

Achievements and Performance

Community Centre

The main activity during the financial period has been to maintain and develop the usage of the Community Centre by arranging both regular and occasional lettings for the benefit of the local community.

Throughout the year, the Centre was affected by the nation's Lockdown due to Covid-19 with the Centre having to close and thereby reducing our expected income. We were able to take advantage of the Government's furlough scheme for our Administrator but decided to absorb the cost of the Centre Manager in ensuring the Centre was maintained and enquiries dealt with during this period. Our Finance Administrator very generously refused furlough and took unpaid leave so that she could continue volunteering for the Community Association and we are indebted to her and all our staff for maintaining the community around the community centre and in particular, staying in touch with our more vulnerable community members. We were pleased to be able to lend out our laptops to local children for use at home during lockdown and this was much appreciated.

The Trustees have let one room in the Community Centre to The Police and Crime Commissioner for Thames Valley for use by its Community Police Officers under a lease for seven years dated 12th January 2015.

As the business of running the Centre has developed, we have continued to employ a Centre Manager, a general Administrator, and a Finance Administrator. This has enabled staff absences to be covered when needed.

The Trustees decided to plan to implement most of the recommendations of the Energy Audit obtained in October 2019:

- Upgrade lighting to LEDs
- Consider adding solar panels
- Consider battery storage

as part of a larger project that would also include the Main Hall roof renewal, replacement of the southern boundary wall with a fence and gate to provide direct access to the adjoining playpark, and replacement of the fence on the eastern boundary. The Trustees commissioned Cluttons, Chartered Surveyors to provide a specification and obtain estimates for the project.

The Trustees prepared a Fundraising Plan to raise £89,800 that included applying to external funders and also launching an Appeal to the local community in August 2020. We are grateful to the then Lord Lieutenant of Oxfordshire, Tim Stevenson, who was involved in the opening of the refurbished Centre in 2014, for providing a reference for the appeal (Appeal 2020). We are also grateful to all those who have pledged or donated money to the appeal, whether funding bodies or generous community-hearted individuals.

Not only did we receive external Grants (both offers and funds) for Appeal 2020 during the year, but we also received support grants to assist with managing our response to the pandemic as set out below:

Source	Amount £	Status	Purpose
Oxfordshire Community Foundation	6,408	Received	Community Resilience Fund
Vale of White Horse District Council	19,907	Received	Support during pandemic
Pye Charitable Settlement	1,000	Received	Appeal 2020
Cumnor Parish Council	500	Received	Appeal 2020
North Hinksey Parish Council	500	Received	Appeal 2020
GNC (Cadbury) Trust	500	Received	Appeal 2020
Waitrose Community Fund	333	Received	Appeal 2020

Total external grants **£29,148** *(£1,000 (2019/2020)).*

We also received income from the Government's Furlough Scheme amounting to £871 during the year.

In addition, we received the following offers of grants in response to Appeal 2020:

Source	Amount £	Status	Purpose
FCC Communities Foundation	42,123	Confirmed	Main roof renewal and fencing
Garfield Weston	7,500	Subject to all funding in place	Whole project
OxFutures/Low Carbon Hub	7,300	Confirmed	Solar Panels and Storage Battery
Bernard Sunley Foundation	5,000	Subject to all funding in place	Whole project
Fiona Wheeler Charitable Foundation	2,065	Confirmed	Towards new fencing and gate on southern boundary
Doris Field Charitable Trust	1,000	Confirmed	Towards Storage Battery

Local fundraising

In Appeal 2020, we set a target of raising **£15,000** from our local community. As part of our Christmas Greetings, delivered by our volunteers to our neighbourhood, we invited people to sponsor a Roof Tile (£2), an LED light (£50) or a Solar Panel (£250). We are delighted to report that as at the 31 March 2021, we had reached **£13,108** plus Gift Aid (£2,714) exceeding our target, and we

are very grateful to all who have contributed, in whatever amount. We are continuing to fundraise for the project to repay loans taken out to enable the project to start in July 2021, thereby protecting grant conditions that were time limited.

Engagement with the Community
All the Trustees live within the Dean Court Ward of Cumnor Parish Council and therefore have contact with others in that community.

The Dean Court Community Association website (www.deancourtcc.org.uk) provides information about the organisation.

The Trustees also maintain contact with the community through leaflets for one-off events and invitations to the Annual General Meeting being posted on community noticeboards throughout Cumnor Parish.

Community Service
The premises provide a number of meeting rooms for use by the local community as follows:

Main Hall (113sqm, normal capacity 100)
Orange Room (46sqm, normal capacity 25)
Yellow Room (30sqm, normal capacity 20); and
Blue Room (14sqm, normal capacity 10).

In addition, there is an Centre Office and an office for the local Police Community Support Officer.

Given the pandemic, the seventh full year of operation for the Centre was like no other. The Trustees are pleased to report that despite the pandemic, the spaces in the Centre have been used on over **330** occasions (2019/2020 – 900) by **39** different hirers. Many of these are regular bookings by groups including Acupuncture, Archery, Baby Ballet, Baby College, Bounce Fit Body, Christian Congregation, Dance group, Holistic Health class, Hungarian School, Martial Arts, Meadowbrook College, Muslim Prayer Group, Photography Shoots, PSB4 (Supporting People with Learning Disabilities), Sign and Sing Oxford, Seated Exercise, Zumba, Court Crafting, and Yoga.

Other regular users such as Guides and Brownies and the University of the Third Age (West Oxford Group) were unable to meet at the Centre during the lockdowns but we are pleased that several have now returned to live bookings.

We are pleased to be able offer subsidised rates to 9 local organisations and charities.

Financial Review
Total Incoming Resources were £51,970 during the period ended 31 March 2021 and Total Resources Expended £37,421 producing a surplus of income over expenditure of **£14,549**. Including the balance brought forward on 1 April 2020, total funds increased from £12,609 (31 March 2020) to **£27,158** as at 31 March 2021.

The Trustees note that in its seventh full year of operation, although the income from its charitable activities exceeded the figure proposed in its business plan, much of this income came from one-off grants to compensate for lost income whilst the Centre was closed and from grants received in advance for the Roofing, Solar and Fencing Project.

During the on-going COVID-19 pandemic, DCCA has acted fully on advice from Community First Oxfordshire and Action with Communities in Rural England (ACRE) on how to ensure, as far as possible, that The Centre is a covid-secure environment for our users, staff and volunteers. As a result, our expenditure on cleaning absorbed a high proportion of our letting income.

Reserves Policy
The aim of the Trustees is to have unrestricted cash equivalent reserves of at least **£8,000** being equivalent to three months running costs. We have met this target with cash equivalent reserves at 31 March 2021 being **£11,826.**

The Trustees are considering setting up a Sinking Fund within its accounts to create a reserve for future maintenance and decorations.

Grant Making Policy
The main charitable purpose of Dean Court Community Association is currently to run the Community Centre for the benefit of local organisations and individuals living in Cumnor and North Hinksey Parishes.

Its prime purpose is therefore to use its income generated from room hire to pay for the expenses of running the centre including staff, energy costs and maintenance.

It therefore does not offer grants to either individuals or other organisations that are unrelated to the running of the Centre.

It will however consider applications for grants from potential hirers who can show the following:

a) They live within Cumnor or North Hinksey Parish
b) The reason for the grant is to reduce the cost of hiring a room/rooms within the Centre
c) Any grant offered will be a reduction in the hire costs, and not paid in cash
d) If an organisation, by supplying their last set of accounts (to include a statement of income and expenditure for its last accounting year together with the amount in reserves).

The maximum value of any grant offered will not normally exceed £250.

All applications must be by letter to the Trustees stating what the applicant wishes to do, the purpose of the grant and the amount of grant requested. All applications will be acknowledged and applicants informed of the timescale for making a decision.

We were pleased to be able to offer subsidised hiring rates to 9 local organisations and charities during the year.

Legal liabilities

The Trustees have entered into a lease for the building with the Vale of White Horse District Council for a period of 25 years commencing on 27 February 2014. The lease is on a full repairing and insuring basis and the estimated costs of meeting these liabilities have been included in the five year Business Plan. The rent payable is subject to review every five years, with the increase based on increases in the Retail Prices Index.

The Trustees have entered into a sub-lease with the Thames Valley Police for a period of 7 years commencing on 12th January 2015. The tenant pays a rent of £250 per annum together with a service charge (estimated at £300 per annum) relating to the landlord's costs of managing and maintaining the premises. The Trustees have produced service charge accounts for the years ending March 2015 – March 2020 inclusive and these have shown that actual costs do not exceed the estimated figure. The accounts (page 18) show a sundry creditor of £594 on behalf of Thames Valley Police should the freeholder decide to issue Insurance invoices, a proportion of which is recoverable through the service charge. In March 2021 we received an invoice for Business Rates relating to the Police Office and the costs of this have been met from the sundry creditor as above.

Investment Policy

The association's funds are maintained within an interest bearing current account at the Co-operative Bank. The association also has a bank account with Virgin Money, giving itself greater protection for its liquid assets.

Given its seventh year of operation, the Trustees consider that the cash reserves are reasonable for the size of its overall operation and therefore currently do not propose to make any long term investments. Any surplus funds are being applied to the building project that started in July 2021.

People

The Trustees have been supported by three paid administrative staff during the year and wish to record their thanks to them for maintaining the bookings and related financial activity so efficiently, particularly given the restrictions in opening due to the pandemic. For example, we raised 416 invoices during the year but we also had to issue 83 Credit Notes. We thank our staff for dealing with this extra administrative workload. The Trustees have a pension scheme with **Nest** (National Employment Savings Trust) and staff members are invited to join this scheme. The Trustees are registered as an employer with **HMRC** giving them greater flexibility in the future employment of staff.

The Trustees also wish to thank the volunteers and staff who spent many hours keeping up to date with the current Government regulations and ensuring that the Centre could be let safely, and

supporting the centre in various ways, including opening and closing the Community Centre for occasional hirers, when it was safe to do so.

The Trustees note the resignation of Brian Dent in April 2020 and wish to place on record their grateful thanks for his contribution to the work of the Association over many years, both as a Trustee and supporter.

The Trustees welcomed Brian Ahern as a Trustee in April 2020.

Statement of Trustees' responsibility

The Charities Act and the Companies Act require the Board of Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year, which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity as at the end of the financial year and of the surplus or deficit of the charity. In preparing those financial statements the Board is required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in business.
- state whether applicable accounting standards and statements of recommended practice have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements.

The Trustees are also responsible for maintaining adequate accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and which are sufficient to show and explain the charity's transactions and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006 and comply with regulations made under the Charities Act. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

The Trustees are also responsible for the contents of the Trustees' Report and the responsibility of the Independent Examiner in relation to the trustees' report is limited to examining the report and ensuring that, on the face of the report, there are no inconsistencies with the figures disclosed in the financial statements.

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

I approve the attached statement of financial activities and balance sheet for the year ended 31 March 2021 and confirm that I have made available all information necessary for its preparation.

Signature..... Date..20-Dec-2021

Anna Pearson, Acting Chair of Trustees

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021
Incorporating Income and Expenditure Account

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2021 £	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2020 £
Income from:							
Donations and legacies	2	-	18,695	18,695	633	-	633
Charitable activities	3	33,197	-	33,197	25,491	1,000	26,491
Investments	4	78	-	78	147	-	147
Total income		33,275	18,695	51,970	26,271	1,000	27,271
Expenditure on:							
Raising funds	5	-	4,528	4,528	143	44	187
Charitable activities	6	27,353	5,540	32,893	42,241	984	43,225
Other		-	-	-	-	-	-
Total expenditure		27,353	10,068	37,421	42,384	1,028	43,412
Net income / -expenditure		5,922	8,627	14,549	- 16,113	- 28	- 16,141
Transfers between funds		- 188	188	-	-	-	-
Net movement in funds		5,734	8,815	14,549	- 16,113	- 28	- 16,141
Reconciliation of funds:							
Total funds brought forwards		7,193	5,416	12,609	23,306	5,444	28,750
Total funds carried forward		12,927	14,231	27,158	7,193	5,416	12,609

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 MARCH 2021

	Notes	2021 £	2021 £	2020 £	2020 £
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible Assets	10		1,101		2,643
CURRENT ASSETS					
Debtors	11	1,525		1,719	
Cash at bank		32,941		14,105	
		34,466		15,824	
CREDITORS: Amounts falling due within one year	12	8,409		5,859	
NET CURRENT ASSETS			26,057		9,965
NET ASSETS			27,158		12,608
FUNDS					
INCOME FUNDS					
Unrestricted Income funds	13		12,927		7,193
Restricted Income funds	14		14,231		5,416
TOTAL INCOME FUNDS			27,158		12,609

For the year ended 31 March 2021 the company was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.
Trustees responsibilities:

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

These financial statements were approved by the members of the committee and authorised for issue on 20 Dec 2021 and are signed on their behalf by:

A Pearson
.....
Anna Pearson, Acting Chair of Trustees

The notes on pages 14-20 form part of these financial statements.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparation
The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Charities Act 2011 and in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP): Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS102) issued on 16 July 2014 and the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102).

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

The trustees have considered the potential impact of Covid-19 on the running of the Community Centre in 2020/2021 and can report that they have received grants amounting to £16,408 since the year end to offset the loss of letting income. They are therefore confident that there are no other material uncertainties about the Trust's ability to continue as a going concern and having considered all the circumstances, are confident that the future of the centre is secure for the next year.

Income
All incoming resources are included in the statement of financial activities when the charity is legally entitled to the income and the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy. Donations and legacies are reported in the Statement of Financial Activities if they are received or due in the financial year.

Donated professional services and donated facilities are recognised as restricted income when the economic benefit is transferred and the benefit can be measured reliably. In accordance with the Charities SORP 2015 (FRS102) volunteer time is not recognised in the financial statements.

Expenditure and liabilities
Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all costs 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. Expenditure represents amounts invoiced, including value added tax.
Donations are accounted for on a paid basis.

Tangible Fixed Assets and Depreciation
These are capitalised if they can be used for more than one year, and cost at least £500 They are valued at cost or, if gifted, at the value to the charity on receipt. Depreciation is charged on the following basis:
Fixtures, Fittings and furniture – straight line over 5 years
Computer equipment – straight line over 3 years

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021 (continued)

Taxation

The Charity is exempt from corporation tax on its charitable activities. Value Added Tax is not recoverable by the Charity and as such is included in the relevant costs in the statement of financial activities.

Commitments

There are no annual commitments under non-cancelling operating leases at 31 March 2021 (2019: none).

2. INCOME FROM DONATIONS AND LEGACIES

	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total Funds 2021	Total Funds 2020
	£	£	£	£
Donations	-	13,109	13,109	578
Grants	-	2,871	2,871	-
Gift Aid	-	2,715	2,715	55
Total Donations	-	18,695	18,695	638

3. INCOME FROM CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total Funds 2021	Total Funds 2020
	£	£	£	£
Grants	26,315	-	26,315	1,200
Events	-	-	-	173
Room bookings	6,507	-	6,507	24,837
Brunch club income	-	-	-	132
Coffee club income	-	-	-	497
Rental income	350	-	350	-294
Equipment hire	25	-	25	145
Other income	-	-	-	1
Total Charitable activities	33,197	-	33,197	26,491

4. INVESTMENT INCOME

	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total Funds 2021	Total Funds 2020
	£	£	£	£
Bank interest	78	-	78	148

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021 (continued)

5. EXPENDITURE ON RAISING FUNDS

	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total Funds 2021	Total Funds 2020
	£	£	£	£
Event costs	-	-	-	187
Fundraising costs	-	4,528	4,528	
	-	4,528	4,528	187

6. EXPENDITURE ON CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total Funds 2021	Total Funds 2020
	£	£	£	£
Staffing costs	8,535	871	9,406	10,905
Utilities	1,992	-	1,992	3,393
Cleaning and maintenance	3,978	-	3,978	9,437
Professional fees (lease and building project management)	2,814	4,110	6,924	3,459
Community Coffee costs	-	-	-	193
Bookkeeping services	-	-	-	2,200
Sundry equipment	123	123	246	247
Kitchen and office supplies	23	-	23	224
Telephone and IT	373	-	373	469
Insurance	1,767	-	1,767	3,745
Rent	1,072	-	1,072	-
Depreciation	1,542	-	1,542	4,076
Printing	125	361	486	-
Other expenditure	221	30	251	699
Catering supplies	-	-	-	-
Training	-	45	45	-
Recruitment	-	-	-	22
Governance	4,788	-	4,788	4,156
Total charitable activities	27,353	5,540	32,893	43,225

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021 (continued)

7. GOVERNANCE COSTS

	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total Funds 2021	Total Funds 2020
	£	£	£	£
Independent Examination	180	-	180	234
Legal and professional fees	-	-	-	700
Accountancy services	4,057	-	4,057	2,378
Other governance expenses	493	-	493	133
Subscriptions	58	-	58	711
	4,788	-	4,788	4,156

8. NET INCOME/EXPENDITURE FOR THE YEAR

	2021	2020
	£	£
Directors' remuneration	-	-
Depreciation	1,542	4,076

9. STAFF COSTS AND NUMBERS

	2021	2020
	£	£
Wages	9,406	10,905
Social security costs	-	-
	9,406	10,905

The average number of staff employed during the year was 3.17 (2020: 3.08). No employee received any pay or benefits in excess of £60,000 in either year.

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10. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Fixtures, Fittings, Furniture and Other Equipment	Computer Equipment	Leasehold Improvements	Total
	£	£	£	£
COST				
At 1 April 2020	16,465	7,665	11,091	35,221
Additions	-	-	-	-
Disposals	-	-	-	-
At 31 March 2021	16,465	7,665	11,091	35,221
DEPRECIATION				
At 1 April 2020	15,151	7,665	9,762	32,578
Charge for the year	759	-	783	1,542
Disposals	-	-	-	-
At 31 March 2021	15,910	7,665	10,545	34,120
NET BOOK VALUE				
At 31 March 2021	555	-	546	1,101
At 1 April 2020	1,314	-	1,329	2,643

11. DEBTORS

	2021	2020
	£	£
Other debtors	823	1,017
Prepayments	702	702
	1,525	1,719

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021 (continued)

12. CREDITORS AND ACCRUALS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2021	2020
	£	£
Trade creditors	1,000	661
Income received in advance	891	831
Police service charge	594	594
Other creditors	439	538
Accruals	5,485	3,234
	8,409	5,858

13. UNRESTRICTED INCOME FUNDS

	Balance at 1 April 2020	Income	Expenditure	Transfers	Balance as at 31 March 2021
	£	£	£	£	£
Total funds	7,193	33,275	- 27,353	- 188	12,927
	7,193	33,275	- 27,353	- 188	12,927

14. RESTRICTED INCOME FUNDS

	Balance at 1 April 2020	Income	Expenditure	Transfers	Balance as at 31 March 2021
	£	£	£	£	£
Sovereign Housing:					
Community Consultation	478	-	- 666	188	-
Local Initiative	3,138	-	- 45	-	3,093
Vale of White Horse DC					
New Homes Bonus	-	-	-	-	-
Bernard Kenneth Hufton Charity					
Furniture & Fittings	800	-	- 123	-	677
Doris Field Trust					
LED Lighting	1,000				1,000
Roofing, fencing and solar project	-	17,824	- 2,205	-	15,619
FCC Communities Foundation	-	-	- 6,158	-	- 6,158
HMRC furlough scheme	-	871	- 871	-	-
Total restricted funds	5,416	18,695	- 10,068	188	14,231

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021 (continued)

15. ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS BETWEEN FUNDS

	31 March 2021 Unrestricted	31 March 2021 Restricted	31 March 2021 Total
	£	£	£
Tangible Fixed Assets	1,101	-	1,101
Current Assets	20,235	14,231	34,466
Current Liabilities	- 8,409	-	- 8,409
	12,927	14,231	27,158

16. TRUSTEES AND OTHER RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

No trustees received any remuneration, expenses or received any other benefits from an employment with the charity.

There were no related party transactions during this financial year (2019-20: nil)

17. KEY MANAGEMENT PERSONNEL

The key management personnel are the trustees. There is therefore no associated cost.

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Dean Court Community Association
I report on the accounts of the company for the year ended 31 March 2021, which are set out on pages 12 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.
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(5)(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
SPX Oxford Limited provides bookkeeping services to Dean Court Community Association and I am an employee of this company. In order to maintain independence, I confirm that I have not been involved in provision of the bookkeeping service.

I also confirm that as a member of Chartered Institute of Public Finance and Accountancy, I am subject to the provisions of the FRC's Revised Ethical Standard (2016). This standard has been applied throughout this independent examination.

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:
(1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:

- to keep accounting records in accordance with section 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.

Sally Thompson

Name: Sally Thompson CPFA
Date: 06 Jan 2021