

Gwynfi Miners Community Hall

(A company limited by guarantee)



Report and Financial Statements for the

12 months ended 31st March 2024

Charity number 1154423

Company number 08275575

Annual Report and Financial Statements
For the 12 months ended 31st March 2024

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Report of the Trustees for the 12 months ended 31st March 2024

The trustees are pleased to present their annual directors' report together with the financial statements of the charity for the year ending 31 March 2024 which are also prepared to meet the requirements for a directors' report and accounts for Companies Act purposes.

Reference and Administrative Information

Charity name:	Gwynfi Miners Community Hall
Charity registration number:	1154423
Company registration number:	08275575
Registered Office and Operational address:	98 Jersey Road Blaengwynfi Port Talbot SA13 3TE

Trustees

Dr Brian Gibbons FRCGP, MB BCh BAO	Chair
Mr John Griffiths	Company Secretary
Mrs Christine Isobelle Suzanne Keirle	
Mrs Mairlyn Young	
James Arthur Jordan	
Ciaran Gibbons *	

*Trustees who are not directors under company law.

Independent Examiner	Darren Norton FCCA Young and Phillips Chartered Certified Accountants
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Bankers	Co-operative Bank
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Accountant	Joanna Surman FCCA Young and Phillips
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Objectives

Our charity's objectives as set out in the objects contained in the company's memorandum and articles of association are:

To promote for the benefit of the inhabitants of the electoral ward of Gwynfi and the surrounding area, the provision of facilities for well-being, self-improvement, recreation or other leisure time occupation of individuals who have need of such facilities by reason of their youth, age, infirmity or disablement, financial hardship or social and economic circumstances or for the public at large in the interests of social welfare and with the object of improving the condition of life of the said inhabitants.

To help young people, especially but not exclusively through leisure time activities, to develop their capabilities so that they may grow to full maturity as individuals and members of society.

Ensuring Our Work Delivers Against Our Objectives

Our objectives are borne in mind when considering new activities, services or facilities provided by the charity. During our first year of operation a review of activities was undertaken to determine core activities offered to the community so as to achieve our objectives. Since then, every year we have continued to build on our prior achievements, trying new activities as well as reviewing those already in place and introducing new services.

The Gwynfi Miners Community Hall has had to change from being a traditional village hall to becoming a community hub that hosts multiple agencies and services. This was crucial if we were to continue meeting the communities emerging needs and Organisations main objectives.

The facility manager regularly reports to the trustees on the activities undertaken with reference to what was done, activity attendance levels and usage rates for the hall facilities. The facility manager also reports on future activity plans and discussions around who would benefit from the provision of any suggested activity or facility provision. Any activities or facilities that are reviewed and found to be no longer suitable or supported by the community are discontinued so that resources can be redirected to new activity which better achieves our objectives.

We have referred to the guidance contained in the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit when reviewing our objectives and in planning and implementing our future activities.

Structure, Governance & Management

Governing Document

Gwynfi Miners Community Hall is a charitable company limited by guarantee, incorporated in England and Wales on 31 October 2012 and registered as a charity on 31 October 2013.

The company was established under a Memorandum of Association which established the objects and powers of the charitable company and is governed under its Articles of Association. In the event of the company being wound up members are required to contribute an amount not exceeding £1.

Recruitment and Appointment of Directors

The directors of the company are also charity trustees for the purposes of charity law. Directors are appointed at the annual general meeting or co-opted for a particular skill sets during the year.

Under the requirements of the Memorandum and Articles of Association the directors are appointed to serve until such time as they are required to retire at a subsequent annual general meeting. At each annual general meeting one third of the directors or, if their number is not three or a multiple of three, the nearest to one third, must retire from office. The directors to retire by rotation shall be those who have longest served in office since their last appointment.

All directors give their time voluntarily and receive no remuneration or benefits from the charity.

Management

The Directors oversee the business of the Charity, and the premises are managed operationally by the full time facility manager and supervised by two paid members of staff, providing cover between them during opening hours.

Risk Assessment

The Facility Manager has carried out an appropriate health and safety risk assessment and has established systems to reduce identified risks. Assessments are kept up to date with regular reviews completed by the facility manager which are presented to the board of directors during the monthly committee meetings.

The most significant risk remains our funding uncertainty, further exacerbated with the challenges of the Cost-of-Living-Crisis and Fuel Poverty.

Every effort is focused on finding ways to work with our partners to mitigate those risks. The Gwynfi Miners Community Hall is committed to providing free or subsidized services locally so that our services are inclusive to everyone who requires them.

The Gwynfi Miners Community Hall provides a Warm Space where residents can gather in a safe, warm, structured, welcoming environment and have access to free resources such as Wi-Fi, charging points, refreshments and social activities. The Warm Space, fosters a sense of community, reduces the risk of people especially our most vulnerable residents from becoming isolated or affected by the rising costs.

The water ingress to our lower floors continues to have a significant impact on the community hall, affecting both the building itself and the disruption to scheduled activities and events. Investigation and surveying procedures have been undertaken or ongoing, and we are making good headway.

We anticipate that within the next twelve months we will have all the structural reports, site surveys and costings available to apply for external funding. Funding that will be required to complete the remedial works and refurbishments which is a requirement for the space to be reopened and for services to resume.

This essential works will bring forth a multitude of new activities and opportunities, safeguard the structural integrity and improve the organisations financial viability.

Chair's Report

For another year the number of users of Gwynfi Miners Community Hall has increased – during the year user numbers reached 17,500. And we were very pleased to note that 40% of these users were young people. But this is not just about numbers, it is also about the range and diversity of activities now on offer.

This is great tribute to our staff – Simon (Manager), Leigh and Pam. And we must not forget the many volunteers who give so many hours to making GMCH the success that it is. In May Simon was a guest at the Buckingham Palace Tea Party, a real recognition of his contribution to village life. Congratulations to all on wonderful achievements.

During the year we celebrated the 10th Anniversary of GMCH which was graced by the High Sheriff, Alan Brayley as well as a wide range of local dignitaries including CEO NPT CBC Karen Jones, Stephen Kinnock MP and Gaynor Richards CEO NPT CVS. Bryon Gage (Cymer & District Historical Society) gave a fascinating talk on the start of the Workmens' Hall in Gwynfi which initially opened in 1901 and Ciaran Gibbons presented a film.

Our now, Annual Remembrance Concert was a sell-out success. We are delighted to host Ogmere Male Voice Choir once again and pleased to welcome Barry Brass Band as well as have a lovely solo performance by Josie Gibbons.

Throughout this period the problem with the downstairs flooding remains. We have had a series of multi-agency meetings to try to sort out the problem out as well as working collaboratively to begin to develop ideas on how we can move forward. We are now beginning to get a feel for the scale of the challenge that we face. We thank all our partners in this work.

For much of the latter part of the year we have been actively engaged with the Building Communities Trust to develop a funding relationship which could result in securing £150,000 over four years to build community anchor organisations. This application process had been demanding but it has also required us to reflect on who we are working with to meet community needs.

Also with the anniversary event, the grant application process has allowed GMCH to move from stage of “struggling from year to year to survive” to seeking to become a more forward, looking community asset and resource.

This has been helped by our relatively better funding position for most of the year. This modest level of certainty has allowed us to look beyond meeting immediate needs and survival. We are grateful to all our funders. The core support we get from Llynfi-Afan Renewable Energy Park Community Fund is crucial and very appreciated. We have been able to work with NPT CVS to benefit from the Shared Prosperity Fund and we are grateful the Afan Cluster of Swansea Health Board for its support. We are also coming to the end of the very welcome grant support we have had from the Garfield Weston Foundation which had tided us through difficult years.

We would also like to thank our local supporters. The Duck Race with Gwynfi United FC provided valuable funds for both organisations. We would like to thank our community for a number of funeral donations we have received during the year. Hopefully the achievements of GMCH will be a fitting memorial to their generosity.

Our relationship with NPT CBC is much better and we are pleased with the positive engagement we have had with its CEO Karen Jones. We were very sad to hear of her resignation plans. We wish her well in her retirement and we hope to build a similar relationship with her successor Frances O'Brien.

So we look forward to 2024-25 and the challenges it offers. One of those is renewing our board of directors which is becoming increasingly depleted due to bereavements, resignations and people moving away. Directors are hidden heroes who rarely feature in the limelight, but their role is vital. Hopefully during the year we will be able to see new volunteers offering their services.

Manager Report

I am delighted to be writing this report for what has been another successful year for the Gwynfi Miners Community Hall where we recorded our highest number of annual users since we took over the facility back in 2013. More than 17500 visitors attended the Gwynfi Miners Community Hall to access key services and participate in a diverse timetable of activities.

This is a great achievement especially when we continue to live in immensely challenging and uncertain times. Our Chair Dr Gibbons mentioned in his report that during this reporting period we had the privilege to mark our 10th Anniversary with a celebration event.

Such anniversaries serve as a moment for reflection on achievements, challenges overcome, and the positive influence the Gwynfi Miners Community Hall is having on the community.

More people are turning to the Gwynfi Miners Community Hall for practical help and resources where we have become the frontline for delivering community based services and activities. Many services that did not previously exist and essential in terms of helping to improve wellbeing and enhancing peoples, overall quality of life.

As we continued to see the demand for our services increase, we continued to explore ways of supporting our community by expanding partnerships and the range of services we can offer. In addition to our normal timetable of children activities, working with the Children Rights Unit and Child Welfare Officer has brought additional opportunities for children and youth to engage in additional activities, workshops and visit new places and experiences.

New partnerships have also created opportunities for adults and our more senior residents to participate in activities and social events that have been paramount in keeping residents socially included and engaged in community life.

To give you a flavor of what goes on at the Gwynfi Miners Community Hall, children have had the opportunity to attend after-school sports clubs, youth clubs, boxing training, discos, arts and crafts, cinema nights, science and music workshops. They have visited the Upper Afan Valley Pool for a pool party, South Wales Miners Museum and the outdoor spaces around Gwynfi.

Adults have had the opportunity to be physically active and improve their physical and mental wellbeing by visiting the well-equipped weights and cardio-vascular gymnasium, Gwynfi Amateur Boxing Club, Dance Aerobics and by joining us on one of the Walk and Talks.

The specialist GP Exercise Referral Scheme continues to be an important and well-attended scheme for residents who have specific health conditions or are in rehabilitation from illness or surgery. All of which the scheme can help with.

We are proud to work in collaboration with the Afan Cluster and Health Board who provide vital funding and support so that the Gp Exercise Referral Scheme can run for the foreseeable future and continue to improve people's physical and mental well-being.

Residents have had the opportunity to access key services and activities such as Credit Union, Citizens Advice, Friends of the Library Book Club, Cinema, Community Library, Senior Citizens Weekly Coffee morning, Gwynfi Crafters Club, flower arranging, wood crafts, jewellery making, basic cooking, themed quizzes etc,

IT, British Sign Language and First Aid training was also provided as part of the GMCHs commitment to

upskilling staff, volunteers and community members.

With the growing demands for our services, as ever, we need more help. The more people who can spare a small amount of time, the more we can achieve and the lighter the load is on each member of the committee and staff.

This coming year we must see a significant drive to bring more members to the team so that we can continue to manage the hall and surroundings to a high standard and provide a hugely valuable facility to the community. We will always welcome new committee members and volunteers who can help achieve our exciting aims and bring new ideas and thoughts about how to run the hall.

As ever, my thanks go to the small group of volunteers that form our Committee, staff members Leigh Owen and Pamela Walsh. I am sincerely grateful for their passion and for their unwavering support and dedication throughout the year.

Feedback from our users and the wider community is overwhelmingly positive and that is because of the hard work and time that they generously give.

There are too many to list individually, but I would like to extend my deepest gratitude to all our partners, funders and donors for their generous support and collaboration throughout this year.

Your contributions have been instrumental in enabling us to achieve our goals and make a meaningful impact on the communities we serve.

We have a number of community led groups who are regular hirers, many who are long standing users and we are immensely grateful to them for continuing to use our facilities and providing additional activities for the community.

Equally I would like to thank all those who visited the hall during the year, whether regular users or attending one off events, you are reason why the GMCH exists and what motivates us.

As we reflect on our journey, we are reminded of the collective strength that partnerships and goodwill bring. Together, we have achieved remarkable progress, and I am confident that our continued collaboration will yield even greater results in the years to come.

Thank you so much

Simon Matthews

Facility Manager

Gwynfi Miners Community Hall

Achievements & Performance

The information in this section refers to the period 1st April 2023 to the 31st March 2024.

During this period more than seventeen thousand users of all ages attended the GMCH, to access key services and participate in activities that have helped to develop a culture of wellbeing, across social, mental and physical health.

Health & Wellbeing

While our sports hall remains out of use the GMCH has been granted access to the Pen Afan Primary School's outdoor MUGGA to deliver children's sporting activities. These activities have been limited due to the unpredictable weather and dark winter months.

We are aware that children's habits are changing, especially after the pandemic where they have become less active. This is having an adverse effect on both their physical and mental wellbeing. It is paramount that the GMCH explore all options so that children understand the importance of leading a healthy lifestyle and there are opportunities to participate in physical activity. However, the GMCH cannot achieve this alone and will require a collective approach.

The weights and fitness gymnasium remains a popular activity at the GMCH and is suitable for people aged fourteen years and over. We are very grateful to have received further funding from the Swansea Bay University Health Board and the Afan Cluster to purchase specialist resistance and cardio-vascular equipment. This has helped to attract new gym members, increase footfall and accommodate patients with complex injuries and illnesses.

Boxing is a sport that fosters discipline and engages individuals with goals they once considered difficult to achieve, both in and out of the ring. Gwynfi Miners Community Hall acknowledges the importance of the Gwynfi ABC and provides the club with a free residency so that the club can continue to thrive and inspire.

On average fifteen children attended the twice weekly junior sessions and ten members attended the twice weekly senior classes.

The GP Exercise Referral Scheme is a great way for people with short or long-term conditions to improve their health and increase levels of physical activity. Patients suffering with common medical conditions such as obesity, mental health, cardiovascular diseases, hypertension and diabetes have all benefited from the scheme.

The GP Exercise Referral Scheme has increased to two weekly sessions to meet the demands and to ensure the scheme is accessible to everyone who needs it.

The Walk and Talk Group was established so that people who were still feeling vulnerable or anxious after the pandemic would have the opportunity to take part in an outdoor physical activity. The walks create a platform for discussion and an opportunity for residents to exercise, make friendships and see new places. The adverse weather conditions affected the frequency of walks however an average of six to ten people attended the walks that went ahead.

Dance Aerobics has always been a well-supported exercise class, and this year was no exception. On average, fourteen adults from Gwynfi and the neighboring villages attended the weekly sessions to dance, have fun, keep fit and connect with the community.

Leisure, Recreation and Other Activities

The GMCH is extremely proud of the way that the community groups and volunteers continue to deliver a varied yet relevant program of meaningful activities. Activities that are a keystone for the community to be socially active and connected.

Besides the core activities, children and adults have had the opportunity to participate in creative and cultural activities such as African drumming, willow weaving, flower arranging, broche making, coding, design a bag for life, kids sports and activity clubs.

The Gwynfi Miners Community Halls cinema gave people of all ages the opportunity to experience a night out at the movies with friends and family without the concerns over cost and travel.

We are pleased that the Pen Afan Primary School accepted the invitation to visit the GMCH before they broke up for the Easter, Summer and Christmas holidays to watch a movie of their choice. A total of one hundred pupils attended each of the seasonal screenings.

Lost Peatlands have proved an invaluable partner and have continued to support the GMCH and wider communities. They provide nature and craft activities for all ages that have taken place in the GMCH and in the green spaces around the Upper Afan Valley. Bush crafts, wood carving, bug hunts and nature walks were some of the activities that children and adults had the opportunity to try. These activities are well attended, educational, fun and can offer a wide range of physical, mental, and emotional benefits.

The Remembrance Concert remains a highlight on people's social calendar, a somber but enjoyable evening that helps to raise funds that support the running of the GMCH. One hundred residents were in attendance to remember and pay their respects to those who lost their lives whilst serving for their Country during World War 1 and World War 11.

We appreciate the support we received from the G2 Restaurant and Bar, Ogmore Valley Male Voice Choir, Barry Brass Band, Solo Artist Josie Gibbons and Ciaran Gibbons who make the evening a great success.

Our festive fete plays a crucial role in fostering a sense of community, promoting social interaction, celebrating diversity and contributing to the overall well-being and vitality of the community. Local crafters were given the opportunity to showcase their skills and sell their products. Many of the crafters would donate their earnings to the Gwynfi Miners Community Hall and other good causes which we are sincerely thankful for.

Young People

Gwynfi Miners Community Hall makes a particular effort to cater for the needs of our young people. We work with the local council to provide a weekly youth club and we also seek to welcome our young people at other times.

We secured grant funding to employ an Activity Coordinator and supervisor to develop and deliver a new timetable of children and youth activities. Children and youth had the opportunity to attend a diverse schedule of activities, training and trips away.

When the above sessions were not running during the winter months the GMCH provided a warm, safe and welcoming space for the children and youth to visit where they could play pool, listen to music, play musical instruments and sing. They could access free resources such as Wifi, refreshments, charging points to recharge their scooters and smart devices. This helped families, especially those who were struggling with the cost-of-living crisis and fuel poverty.

Gwynfi Miners Community Hall provides a safe environment for our children to engage in enjoyable and useful activity. We believe that it is no coincidence that our levels of anti-social activity and crime is at such a low level that South Wales Police has deployed our village Police Community Support Officer (PCSO) to other duties for most of their working week.

Training, Learning and Family Support

The GMCH has had to change from being a traditional village hall to becoming a community hub that hosts multiple agencies and services. This was paramount if we were to continue meeting the communities emerging needs and to remain the frontline for providing community-based services and activities.

The GMCH staff run a Celtic Credit Union Collections point where people can save and be signposted to other financial support and products. This is an important service, especially when more high street banks are closing, and services are being transferred online.

During this reporting period we were pleased that Citizens Advice agreed to provide a staff member to run a weekly drop in session at the GMCH. The Citizens Advice can provide free, confidential, and impartial advice on a wide range of issues and is an invaluable service.

The Gwynfi Miners Community Hall invested in community training so that residents could acquire new skillsets for their own personal development and gain the confidence to volunteer for local organisations and sports clubs.

Shared training, sharing resources and collaborative work have significantly strengthened bonds and have contributed to the overall health, resilience and vibrancy of the community.

Training was provided in First Aid, IT and British Sign Language

The Welsh Governments flagship, Early Years Flying Start Scheme resides at the Gwynfi Miners Community Hall. Besides their weekly booking, Flying Start book the rooms on additional days to provide training and further support to families so that they can learn, develop and thrive.

All these services have been critical in supporting families affected by the cost-of-living crisis and for those who cannot access services in the towns and cities and depend on services and activities that are provided locally.

Financial Review

The accounting period in this report covers the 12 months to 31st March 2024.

We exercise a very tight financial discipline and prudently manage our funds, keeping a close eye on the fluctuating energy market and comparing energy suppliers. In previous years we were fortunate to negotiate fair energy contracts at the right time, however the energy prices were more expensive than previously negotiated due to the current economic climate.

The GMCH were fortunate to secure another grant from the National Grid Community Fund to fund a large proportion of the winter fuel bills that helped to mitigate the problem of the rising energy costs. However, this is something that the GMCH must be mindful of for the upcoming winter months as further funding is not guaranteed.

All of our expenditure is scrutinized and like our utility costs we obtain multiple quotes for services and purchases to ensure we get the resources for the best price. We have a reliable contract list who are experienced in various industries to carry out maintenance work at the GMCH. This has been invaluable as we now have contracts with reputable businesses that are trusted to provide a fair and first-class service.

In terms of grants and donations this financial year has been quite prosperous, however our annual accounts can be misleading to casual readers. Our financial position comes across healthier, however in reality this is far from the truth. Predominantly, the grants we received are restricted and allocated for specific projects therefore from year to year we continue to operate under a shoestring budget.

The period 2023-2024 ended with a deficit of £12887 compared with a surplus of £5,833 for the previous financial year 2022-2023.

Principal Funding Sources

The Gwynfi Miners Community Hall has now been operating for eleven full years where we continue to provide a valued community amenity. We are always pleased to hear about the positive differences our services are making in people's lives and the local economy.

Llynfi Afan Renewable Energy Park - have provided unrestricted index linked funding for the past ten years and are committed to providing this for the next ten years. LAREP is the only funding organisation who provide long-term unrestricted financial support to the Gwynfi Miners Community Hall.

We are constantly grateful to LAREP for this loyal and much valued support.

Although most funders will not follow suit and provide long-term funding there were increased opportunities to apply for core funding from the UKSP Levelling Up Funds so that the Third Sector could continue its vital work and help the sector to grow.

The UK Shared Prosperity Third Sector Growth Fund and the NPTCBC Third Sector Grant Scheme have all been consistent supporters over recent years and this year has been no exception. They have provided further funding to support operational costs, new activities and funds to provide a Warm Space in response to the Cost of Living and Fuel Poverty Crisis.

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Other income was generated from our core activities and room hire charges which contributes to approximately 10-15% of the GMCHs annual expenditure. Due to the demographics of Gwynfi, much of what we provide is either free of charge or subsidized so there is little scope to generate adequate funds from these services alone to cover the GMCH annual support costs therefore we remain reliant on grant funding.

Our public services have traditionally been a key instrument in addressing social disadvantages and inequalities particularly in areas where there is a market failure in delivering facilities and opportunities. Consequently, these services have only operated with a subsidy. However, the recent decade of austerity has seen this policy being eroded in both statutory and non-statutory provision.

It is still totally unrealistic to expect facilities that operated with financial support in “the good times” should become financially self-sustaining particularly when the communities that they serve have been hardest hit by the policies of austerity, cost of living and fuel poverty. While funders like to see “innovative” and imaginative projects it is vital that they should not be at the cost of established well-valued, core community facilities.

The organization receives donations from community members and former residents that demonstrate a continued connection to the village and a sense of caring for the community, even after moving away. Donating to the Gwynfi Miners Community Hall can be a way for people who have moved away from Gwynfi to express their gratitude for the positive experiences and memories they had while living in the village and visiting the Gwynfi Miners Community Hall. These funds are reinvested back into the community by providing additional activities for all ages.

Plans for The Future

- Continue fundraising to provide quality services, activities and a facility that reflects diversity and meets the needs of the Afan Valley Communities.
- Sustain and develop our activities that will connect and engage with people in our community to promote equality, health and well-being through tackling social exclusion, isolation and loneliness.
- Develop a business plan that includes projects to tie in with local developments and tourism that could potentially generate more revenue streams to improve the organisations financial viability.
- Retain our high profile and relevance to local needs through our social media, publicity, marketing and collaborative partnership working.
- To mitigate the impact of austerity and the cost-of-living crisis as best we can and try to keep costs to a minimum.
- Recruit and develop our team of directors and volunteer base so that they can help to shape and deliver the Gwynfi Miners Community Halls Strategy.
- Build a resilience to mitigate the long-term impacts caused by the prevailing climate.
- Gather all relevant information/permissions and documentation to prepare a funding proposal to repair and restore the basement facilities so that the facility can be enjoyed for future generations.

Given the level of reserves and negotiations with other funding bodies, the Directors are confident that the charity can continue as a going concern for a period of at least 12 months.

Investment Policy

Most of the charity's funds are to be spent in immediate service provision so there are no funds available for longer term investment.

Reserves Policy

The trustees have examined the charity's requirements for reserves in light of the main risks to the organisation. We realise the importance of having a reserve fund worth six to twelve months running costs. However, this will remain a massive challenge as year-to-year survival must be our top priority.

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FINANCIAL ACCOUNTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st MARCH 2024

YOUNG AND PHILLIPS
CHARTERED CERTIFIED ACCOUNTANTS
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GWYNFI MINERS COMMUNITY HALL

For the year ended 31st March 2024

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GWYNFI MINERS COMMUNITY HALL
LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS
AS AT THE 31ST MARCH 2024

Charity Name	Gwynfi Miners Community Hall
Registered Charity Number	1154423
Registered Company Number	08275575
Registered Office	Gwynfi Miners Community Hall 98 Jersy Road Blaengwynfi Port Talbot SA13 3TE
Trustees	Dr Brian Gibbons (chair) Christine Keirle Marilyn Young John Griffiths Ciaran Gibbons James Arthur Jordan
Independent Examiner	Young and Phillips Ltd 77 Bute Street Treorchy RCT CF42 6AH

GWYNFI MINERS COMMUNITY HALL
INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2024

Independent Examiner's Report to the trustees of Gwynfi Miners Community Hall.

Report to the trustees Gwynfi Miners Community Hall of the accounts for the year ended 31st March 2024, which are set out on pages 4 to 12.

Responsibilities and basis of report

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

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

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention which gives me cause to believe that:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 386 of the Companies Act 2006; or
- the accounts do not accord with such records; or
- the accounts do not comply with relevant accounting requirements under section 396 of the Companies Act 2006 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination; or
- the accounts have not been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS102). IER 2 October 2018 I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



Darren Norton FCCA
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12th September 2024

GWYNFI MINERS COMMUNITY HALL
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2024

	<u>Notes</u>	<u>£</u> <u>Unrestricted</u> <u>Funds</u>	<u>£</u> <u>Restricted</u> <u>Funds</u>	<u>£</u> <u>Total</u> <u>Funds</u>	<u>£</u> <u>Prior</u> <u>Year</u> <u>Funds</u>
<u>Incoming Resources</u>					
Grants and Donations	3	26,560	54,080	80,640	89,153
<i>Income from Charitable activities:</i>					
Operation of community hall		10,745	-	10,745	11,511
Insurance claim		-	-	-	240
Total Incoming Resources		37,305	54,080	91,385	100,904
<u>Resources Expended</u>					
Charitable Activities	4	42,077	62,195	104,272	95,071
Total Resources expended		42,077	62,195	104,272	95,071
Net Income/(Expenditure) and net movement in funds for the year		(4,772)	(8,115)	(12,887)	5,833
<u>Reconciliation of Funds</u>					
Total funds brought forward		64,657	22,554	87,211	81,378
Total funds carried forward		59,885	14,439	74,324	87,211

GWYNFI MINERS COMMUNITY HALL
BALANCE SHEET
AT THE 31ST MARCH 2024

	<u>Notes</u>	£ <u>Unrestricted Funds</u>	£ <u>Restricted Funds</u>	£ <u>Total Funds</u>	£ <u>Prior Year Funds</u>
<u>Fixed Assets</u>	8	753	11,776	12,529	7,437
<u>Current Assets</u>					
Debtors	9	645	14,968	15,613	9,598
Cash at bank and in hand	10	60,194	1,647	61,841	79,817
Total current assets		60,839	16,615	77,454	89,415
<u>Liabilities</u>					
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	11	1,707	13,952	15,659	9,641
Net current assets		59,132	2,663	61,795	79,774
Total assets less current liabilities		59,885	14,439	74,324	87,211
Net Assets		59,885	14,439	74,324	87,211
<u>Funds of the Charity</u>					
Unrestricted funds	13	59,885	-	59,885	64,657
Restricted income funds	12	-	14,439	14,439	22,554
Total funds		59,885	14,439	74,324	87,211

The company was entitled to exemption from audit under s477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit in accordance with section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Companies Act with respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts.

These accounts have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to small companies subject to the small companies' regime and in accordance with FRS102 SORP.

Approved by the board and signed on its behalf by


Chair- Dr Brian Gibbons

Date 05.11.2024


Company secretary- John Griffiths

Date 05.11.24

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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS
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1 Basis of preparation

1.1 Basis of Accounting

These accounts have been prepared under the historical cost convention with items recognised at cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant note(s) to these accounts.

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with:

- the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) issued on 16 July 2014
- and with the Charities Act 2011

1.2 Going Concern

These accounts have been prepared on the basis that the charity is a going concern.

2 Accounting Policies

2.1 Income

Recognition of income

These are included in the Statement of Financial Activities (SoFA) when:

- the charity becomes entitled to the resources;
- it is more likely than not that the trustees will receive the resources; and
- the monetary value can be measured with sufficient reliability

Offsetting

There has been no offsetting of assets and liabilities, or income and expenses, unless required or permitted by the FRS 102 SORP or FRS 102.

Grants and donations

Grants and donations are only included in the SoFA when the general income recognition criteria are met (5.10 to 5.12 FRS102 SORP).

In the case of performance related grants, income must only be recognised to the extent that the charity has provided the specified goods or services as entitlement to the grant only occurs when the performance related conditions are met (5.16 FRS 102 SORP).

Deferred income

Deferred income has been included in the account in line with the depreciation of assets.

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Volunteer help

The value of any voluntary help received is not included in the accounts.

2.2 Expenditure and liabilities

Liability recognition

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

Governance and Support costs

Support costs have been allocated between governance costs and other support. Governance costs comprise all costs involving public accountability of the charity and its compliance with regulation and good practice.

Support costs include central functions and have been allocated to activity cost categories on a basis consistent with the use of resources, for example allocating property costs by floor areas, or per capita, staff costs by the time spent and other costs by their usage.

Creditors

The charity has creditors which are measured at settlement amounts less any trade discounts

2.3 Assets

Stock and work in progress

Goods or services provided as part of a charitable activity are measured at net realisable value based on the service potential provided by items of stock.

Debtors

Debtors (including trade debtors and loans receivable) are measured on initial recognition at settlement amount after any trade discounts or amount advanced by the charity. Subsequently, they are measured at the cash or other consideration expected to be received.

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3 Analysis of Income

	£ <u>Unrestricted Funds</u>	£ <u>Restricted Funds</u>	£ <u>Total Funds</u>	£ <u>Prior Year Funds</u>
<u>Donations</u>				
Donations	1,755	-	1,755	1,818
Bereavement Bequest	1,185	-	1,185	585
<u>Grants</u>				
NPTCBC- Rent	-	9,100	9,100	9,100
NPTCBC Third sector Grant	-	5,250	5,250	5,000
People's Health Trust	-	-	-	1,497
Garfield Weston Foundation Grant	-	-	-	15,000
Quatro public relations	23,620	-	23,620	21,216
UK Community Renewable Fund	-	-	-	22,288
National Grid Community Matters Fund	-	10,000	10,000	7,162
Heritage Lottery Grant	-	-	-	410
NPTCBC Warm spaces Grant	-	1,242	1,242	1,157
NPT AWPOG Capital Grant	-	3,271	3,271	634
Afan cluster grant	-	5,770	5,770	3,286
NPTCVS UKSP Third Sector Growth Fund	-	15,723	15,723	-
Ffilm Cymru Audience Access Fund	-	3,724	3,724	-
	26,560	54,080	80,640	89,153
<u>Income from charitable activities</u>				
Fundraising events	1,352	-	1,352	2,137
Community Cinema	454	-	454	444
Room Hire	2,491	-	2,491	4,259
Gym	6,448	-	6,448	4,671
	10,745	-	10,745	11,511
<u>Insurance claim</u>	-	-	-	240
	37,305	54,080	91,385	100,904

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4 Analysis of Expenditure

	£ <u>Unrestricted</u> <u>Funds</u>	£ <u>Restricted</u> <u>Funds</u>	£ <u>Total</u> <u>Funds</u>	£ <u>Prior</u> <u>Year</u> <u>Funds</u>
Charitable activities				
Core activities	33,342	19,029	52,371	51,879
Children's Funds	-	1,622	1,622	1,465
Cinema & funding events	-	3,759	3,759	625
Governance costs (note 6)	1,329	7,841	9,170	5,011
Support costs (note 5)	7,406	29,944	37,350	36,091
	<u>42,077</u>	<u>62,195</u>	<u>104,272</u>	<u>95,071</u>

5 Support costs

All support costs have been allocated on the following basis.

	£ <u>Unrestricted</u> <u>Funds</u>	£ <u>Restricted</u> <u>Funds</u>	£ <u>Total</u> <u>Funds</u>
Rent	-	9,288	9,288
Repairs & maintenance	4,519	156	4,675
Equipment	1,038	1,543	2,581
Light, heat and water rates	-	13,302	13,302
Insurance	-	3,543	3,543
Telephone	-	671	671
Cleaning	-	429	429
Printing & stationery	-	850	850
Accountancy	1,008	-	1,008
Other office costs	235	162	397
Professional fees	606	-	606
	<u>7,406</u>	<u>29,944</u>	<u>37,350</u>

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6 Governance costs

	£	£	£
	<u>Unrestricted</u>	<u>Restricted</u>	<u>Total</u>
	<u>Funds</u>	<u>Funds</u>	<u>Funds</u>
Independent examination	552	-	552
Deprecation	777	7,841	8,618
	<u>1,329</u>	<u>7,841</u>	<u>9,170</u>

7 Paid employees

Employee costs were £ 50,191 (2023-£42,933), including social security costs of £0 (2023- nil) There were no pension costs.

During the year various grants were received to cover wages totalling £ 17,583. (2023- £42,933).

No employee received more than £60,000 during the year (2023- nil)

8 Tangible Fixed Assets

	2024	2023
	£	£
Fixture & equipment		
Cost		
Brought forward 1 st April 2023	22,887	12,718
Additions	13,710	10,169
At 31 st March 2024	<u>36,597</u>	<u>22,887</u>
Deprecation		
Brought forward 1 st April 2023	15,450	10,991
Charge for the year	8,618	4,459
At 31 st March 2024	<u>24,068</u>	<u>15,450</u>
Net book value	<u>12,529</u>	<u>7,437</u>

During 2023 and 2024 gym equipment was bought using partly restricted funds.

The balance of restricted assets at the at the yearend is £11,776. (2022-£5,907)

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9 Debtors

	2024	2023
Trade debtors	15,440	9,464
Prepayments	173	134
	<u>15,613</u>	<u>9,598</u>

10 Cash at Bank and in hand

	2024	2023
Bank Account	57,517	76,813
Deposit Account	1,174	1,174
Cash at bank and in hand	3,150	1,830
	<u>61,841</u>	<u>79,817</u>

11 Creditors: Amounts falling within one year

	2024	2023
Deferred Income	11,776	5,907
Accruals	3,883	3,734
	<u>15,659</u>	<u>9,641</u>

Deferred Income

During the current financial year the charity received a Afan valley cluster grant, of which £14,860 was used to buy gym equipment.

Gym equipment was bought mainly using restricted funds from an Afan cluster grant during 2023. The amount of restricted funds used was £7,908

The items have been capitalised in fixed assets and depreciated over its useful economic life. Standard accounting practice is to include this grant as deferred income on the balance sheet and to write back the grant to the statement of financial activities account in line with the depreciation on the relevant assets.

The grant income recognised in these accounts this year is £7,841 (2023-£3,680).

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12 Restricted Income Funds

	£ <u>Balance</u> <u>at 1st</u> <u>April</u> <u>2023</u>	£ <u>Incoming</u> <u>resources</u>	£ <u>Outgoing</u> <u>resources</u>	£ <u>Balance</u> <u>at 31st</u> <u>March</u> <u>2024</u>
<u>Donations</u>				
GASP-petty cash for new junior cinema	100	-	100	-
Pamela Walsh donation	300	-	300	-
	400	-	400	-
<u>Grants</u>				
Groundwork grant	1,504	-	1,504	-
Asda	168	-	168	-
Llynfi Afan REP Community	207	-	-	207
Community foundation Wales	10	-	10	-
Afan Valley cluster Grant	475	14,910	14,860	525
Heritage Lottery Grant	24	-	24	-
Garfield Weston Foundation Grant	15,000	-	15,000	-
NPTCBC Third sector	4,567	5,250	9,817	-
Thynne Elizabeth Gill Craigie Events	100	-	100	-
NPTCBC rent	-	9,100	9,100	-
Nptcbc Warm spaces grant	99	1,242	1,319	22
National Grid Community Matters Fund	-	10,000	10,000	-
NPTCVC SPF UKSP Third Sector Growth Fund	-	15,723	3,595	12,128
Ffilm Cymru Audience Access Fund	-	3,724	1,882	1,842
	22,154	59,949	67,379	14,724
	22,554	59,949	67,779	14,724

13 Analysis of Unrestricted Funds

	£ <u>Balance</u> <u>at 1st</u> <u>April</u> <u>2023</u>	£ <u>Incoming</u> <u>resources</u>	£ <u>Outgoing</u> <u>resources</u>	£ <u>Balance</u> <u>at 31st</u> <u>March</u> <u>2024</u>
<u>General Funds</u>				
Unrestricted income fund	64,657	37,305	42,077	59,885
	64,657	37,305	42,077	59,885

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14 Related party transactions

Three members of the board of directors are also Directors of Gwynfi Community Co-operative Society.

15 Company limited by guarantee

Gwynfi Miners Community Hall is a company limited by guarantee. Every member of the company undertakes to contribute such an amount as may be required not exceeding £1 to the assets in the event of its being wound up while he or she is a member, or within one year after he or she ceases to be a member.