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**YOUTH WITH A MISSION HARPENDEN**  
**ANNUAL REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2023**

# YOUTH WITH A MISSION HARPENDEN

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## TRUSTEES' REPORT (INCLUDING DIRECTORS' REPORT)

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The Trustees' present their annual report and financial statements for the year ended 31 August 2023

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in note 1 to the financial statements and comply with the charity's governing document, the Companies Act 2006 and "Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1st January 2019)

### ***The Chairman's Statement***

YWAM Harpenden celebrated remarkable growth last year as those graduating from our training programs rose by 64%, and those attending shorter seminars and workshops increased by more than 300%. Our YWAM Maritime Academy offered approved Navigation and Seamanship theory training to 24 trainees worldwide, rising from 16 the year before. We are incredibly grateful for God's blessing and provision as we fulfil our mission to reach and train young people

One highlight is the decision by the YWAM Harpenden board and Leadership Team to serve the SEND UK and Ireland. As a collaborative venture with churches and other youth and mission organisations, we see many opportunities to increase unity and reach an emerging generation of young people to respond to the Gospel and actively live out their Christian faith. This opportunity clarified the need to strengthen our board with new trustees in the next year

The SEND will prove a great faith challenge as we prepare to mobilise Gen Z and Gen Alpha to become active in their faith through local outreach, Bible engagement, prayer, and gatherings in large arena events. We will require a much greater provision of resources in volunteers and finances. Our Neighbours and Nations team is leading the way in mobilisation and expects to be 16 strong in September 2023, visiting churches and youth groups two weeks every month

We are encouraged by the substantial growth in our children and youth ministries and much greater interest in Mission Adventures for the coming year. The Oval Café continues to thrive as a ministry of hospitality, serving great coffee with new equipment and a highly dedicated team

We now have seven team plants, having closed one and added three. Our pioneering team plants immerse themselves in the lives of their local communities, and we are so proud of their perseverance and faithful witness and service. Their significant achievements are summarised below. Many of the volunteer staff at Highfield Oval are also involved in supporting local communities by hosting senior lunches, serving children in care and displaced refugees through our Hope Garden project, and serving with food banks and other charities like Azalea. Others are encouraging those struggling with mental health issues as they get involved in making pottery.

We supported overseas work through outreaches in many countries with significant support for those addressing suffering from the Ukraine war and those breaking cycles of poverty in Uganda. These and other achievements fulfil our vision to see waves of young people equipped and finding their calling whether in Christian missions or the marketplace

Building a missional community with worship and prayer at its heart and sustaining the work is vital. We would love to see more friends committed to praying for us. The privilege and challenge of improving and maintaining this unique 48-acre site as a home and gathering place for multiplying those serving God's mission in the world is before us. With God, nothing is impossible!

With gratitude



John Peachey, PhD

Chairman



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### ***Aims and Purpose***

YWAM Harpenden is established to advance the Evangelical Christian Faith worldwide as set out in its Memorandum and Articles of Association.

### ***Objectives, Strategies and Activities***

YWAM Harpenden's objectives and activities to achieve its purpose are as follows

*Training:* To effectively train young people and others for involvement in mission work, community development, and Christian witness in the UK and overseas. It will do this by providing Christian training. It offers three-to-six-month programmes to increase knowledge, grow in practical skills, and develop character; short-term (less than three weeks) training and mission opportunities; and equipping people for missional ministry through personal experience and hands-on learning

*Supporting Communities:* To identify missional needs in Harpenden and the surrounding communities and strategically invest individuals, teams, and resources into those situations to help meet those needs.

We currently focus on the following areas:

- to create greater engagement with some of the local seniors who often experience loneliness and social isolation
- to equip, encourage, and empower families to grow together in their relationships with one another, with God, and others
- to provide a safe place for local youth to hang out and socialise outside of school hours, in which they could learn more about Christianity and its tenets for living
- to provide a place for engagement and building relationships with people from the local and broader community.

Based on the areas above, we regularly host social events and activities to meet these needs. A monthly seniors' lunch and days out for local foster families create a friendly relational environment to address isolation and stress

Through the Oval Café, we provide a family-friendly environment for the local community to enjoy. It also represents a locally owned business founded on Christian values and principles

*Pioneering YWAM Locations:* To encourage individuals and teams to plant new locations in other cities throughout England, and aid them in their endeavours through training, sharing resources, and offering relational and social support

*Supporting Overseas Work:* To form, support, and partner with missional communities, create projects and institutions to address areas of social need in other nations and advance the evangelical Christian faith worldwide. YWAM Harpenden sends individuals and teams on a short-term outreach to work alongside our mission partners

*Creating a Missional Community:* To provide a living environment for both our residential volunteers and trainees to learn and practice their Christian faith together. Creating such a community includes the social and relational aspects of living, training, and working together and maintaining and improving the physical site through refurbishment and site development. We desire to preserve the property and develop the Highfield Oval site to be more environmentally friendly, better able to serve the local community, and for the continued growth of our training and missions work. We are stewarding the property and beautiful open space to foster positive community relationships.

### **Public Benefit**

The trustees confirm that the charity has complied with its duty under Section 4 of the 2011 Charities Act and has had due regard to the guidance contained in the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit when reviewing the charity's objectives and activities. In particular, the trustees have considered how planned activities will contribute to the aims and objectives we have set

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### ***Achievements and performance***

#### **TRAINING**

In the past year, 77 individuals graduated from our extended training programs. Additionally, more than 200 participants attended our range of shorter seminars and workshops to deepen their Christian faith and character and equip them with specialised skills to assist others. We partnered with overseas YWAM locations and Christian teams across five continents. Together, we shared God's love and served local people in need

#### **Discipleship Training Schools (DTS)**

The Discipleship Training School (DTS) is YWAM's foundational course. Spanning six months, the DTS comprises two distinct phases: a three-month lecture phase and a three-month outreach phase. During the lecture phase, trainees engage in a robust curriculum that includes lectures, community living, and practical training, focusing on deepening their understanding of God and His world. The outreach phase involves a cross-cultural field placement, where trainees apply their knowledge and skills in practical settings. This financial year, YWAM Harpenden conducted two DTS programs, starting in September and January, with 51 trainees completing the course

Each DTS organised a week-long local outreach in various UK locations such as Liverpool, Newcastle, Norwich, and Wimbledon. Trainees collaborated with local churches and engaged in children's and refugee ministries, prayer activities for the areas, and different approaches to evangelism

Overseas field placements were conducted in Albania, Lebanon, other Middle Eastern countries, Ecuador, Colombia, Mexico, the Caribbean, and the Himalayas. The teams partnered with local churches, YWAM locations, non-profit organisations, and other Christian ministries. Activities included prayer walks, worship sessions with local believers, preaching in church services and serving street children ministries. Teams taught about the value of caring for God's creation in schools, supported ministries providing free dental care to indigenous communities, and provided hope and encouragement to young individuals battling or recovering from drug addiction. They sought opportunities to share the Gospel in culturally appropriate ways. Trainees also visited people in prison and distributed care packages to refugees

#### **Catalyst DTS**

In 2022/2023, the Catalyst DTS provided missions training to 23 young people and sent 28 YWAMers on three-month field placements to the Middle East and the Himalayas. Our teams were able to share the Gospel and witness people making commitments to follow Jesus, support local churches on the ground, and engage in mercy ministries. The diversity of our trainees, who hailed from 10 different nations, aligns with our goal to send missionaries from every nation to every nation. This year marked a modest increase in enrolment, rising from 21 participants in 2021 to 23 in the current session

#### **Bilingual DTS**

In January, we ran a bilingual English and Spanish Discipleship Training School, attracting 13 students desiring to be trained as missionaries. We sent teams to the Caribbean, Mexico, Ecuador, and Colombia, where they engaged in prayer walks and supported local churches through prayer and encouragement. Additionally, they spoke in schools about God and the importance of caring for God's creation. Some team members visited indigenous communities to assist at events providing free dental care to approximately 400 individuals and families lacking healthcare access. Other team members focused on offering hope and encouragement to young people battling drug addiction or in recovery. These activities highlight our commitment to addressing both spiritual and practical needs in the communities we serve

#### **Bible Core Course (BCC)**

From September to December 2022, we conducted a three-month Biblical Core Course (BCC) with five trainees from four different countries. Trainees read the whole Bible and studied fifteen books in depth. The school took a field trip to the British Museum at the conclusion of the Old Testament module. During their study of the Book of Acts, trainees and volunteer staff engaged in a mini outreach at Azalea in Luton while studying the book of Acts, trying to put into action what they were learning about the early spread of the Gospel and the work of the Holy Spirit. This initiative was supported by the Greenhouse team from YWAM Lakeside Montana, who assist YWAM locations in launching Bible schools and training local leaders. This collaboration, now in its second year, forms part of a five-year partnership

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### **Documentary Film School (DFS)**

During the reporting period, the Documentary Film School team conducted several impactful seminars and workshops, both locally and internationally. They collaborated with the Global Leadership Summit in Hyderabad, India, facilitating a seminar for eleven participants on the fundamentals of documentary filmmaking. This included mentoring participants in producing a documentary that highlighted significant local stories, thereby amplifying important regional narratives. In the Amazon, we worked closely with YWAM Porto Velho to deliver an intensive 8-day seminar to equip individuals working with unreached people groups, particularly indigenous tribes in Brazil. Our efforts promoted greater understanding and cooperation within these communities. At YWAM Chapadas in the Pantanal, they collaborated with the University of the Nations to run a documentary filmmaking seminar within an audiovisual school. Ten students learned to craft compelling narratives, empowering them to convey meaningful stories and effect positive change. Within our DTS at YWAM Harpenden, we facilitated a documentary film track, nurturing the next generation of filmmakers and storytellers.

### **Introduction to Christian Formation & Discipleship (ICFD)**

The Introduction to Christian Formation & Discipleship (ICFD) ran its second iteration at YWAM Harpenden from January to November 2022. The cohort comprised 21 YWAM staff from locations in England, Scotland, Wales, Northern Ireland, the USA, and Germany, representing seven different nationalities. By year's end, approximately half of YWAM Harpenden's staff had engaged with the participants' spiritual practices or participated in their final projects. Feedback from participants highlighted the program's profound impact on their spiritual formation, with five participants joining the 2023 ICFD staff team.

### **English Cultural Orientation (ECO)**

In September 2022, a volunteer staff team launched a 12-week English Cultural Orientation (ECO) course. This course accommodated 22 trainees from eight countries and offered beginner, elementary, and pre-intermediate classes. Trainees engaged in 12 hours of English instruction weekly, supplemented by one-to-one conversation practice, small group discussions, and sessions focused on developing cross-cultural skills and exploring God's heart for the many diverse cultures around the world. The curriculum also included practical application opportunities, where trainees could apply what they had learned in new environments. Seven trainees stayed on after the course for field-based internships, three remained to serve on the campus, and two enrolled in the DTS.

We have planned several new courses for 2023-2024, including a School of Frontier Missions, a School of Advocacy, Law and Justice and a School of Communication Foundations. These initiatives are aimed at expanding our educational offerings.

### **Seminars and Short-Term Training**

Additionally, we consistently hold and host a broad array of events and training seminars throughout the year, furthering our commitment to continuous learning and development.

In September 2022 and July 2023, a team of volunteer staff ran a Depth and Development Track for incoming staff, with four and six staff on the two courses. This nine-week program is designed to impart practical leadership principles and how they apply to volunteering with YWAM.

Furthermore, our volunteer staff facilitated two Hospitality Seminars this year. In September 2022, eight participants from four nations gathered in Harpenden, and in July, two staff travelled to Panama to lead a seminar for ten trainees from six different countries. These sessions focused on understanding God's heart for hospitality and learning skills in hosting and welcoming.

In January 2023, volunteer staff led a five-day Harvest Multiplication Seminar for ten trainees. Participants received training in catalysing communities dedicated to following Jesus together and able to catalyse other such communities.

In June 2023, a team of volunteer staff organised a four-day seminar culminating in a larger gathering of organisations and nearly 60 participants who are involved or interested in Bible Translation. The first three days included the basics of Oral Bible Translation and was attended by approximately ten individuals. The final day saw a significant increase in attendance, with representatives from organisations such as the Wycliffe Global Alliance, British Sign Language Bible Translation Project, Whole Word Institute, Biblica, SIL International, and MAF. Additionally, individuals who are working on translation projects participated. Five other YWAM locations were represented, and that evening, YWAM co-founder Loren Cunningham spoke via Zoom about YWAM's vision and efforts in Bible and Oral Mother Tongue translation.

In August 2023, our volunteer staff convened a five-day training and networking event, the Western Europe DTS Gathering. This event brought together 80 people, all involved in leading DTSs across Western Europe. The agenda included training sessions, workshops, and plenary meetings, focusing on preserving and contextualising YWAM's foundational values in a 21st-century context.

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### Leadership Training

Lynn Green, who served as Chairman of YWAM International for over a decade, has a widely recognised mandate to train leaders. His weekly livestream and the resulting podcasts reach thousands and are particularly appreciated by YWAM leaders in remote locations. This year Lynn and his team convened leadership training events, the largest of which was for 250 younger leaders who gathered from many nations in Kona, Hawaii. Other training initiatives for younger leaders included a 25-session leadership mentoring video course with added resources, a week-long training session in South Africa with about 60 younger leaders, and many leadership mentoring sessions with individuals or teams.

Along with other members of the Founders' Circle, Lynn played a crucial supportive role to Loren and Darlene Cunningham. This has been particularly important during the past year as Loren has approached the end of his life after being diagnosed with small cell cancer. Lynn also serves on the YWAM Harpenden Board, the YWAM Limited Board for England, and the Board of Trustees for the University of the Nations' Campus in Kona, Hawaii.

### YWAM's Maritime Academy

YWAM's Maritime Academy, pioneered by Captain Brian Sloan, is part of the University of the Nations' College of Science and Technology. The international coordination office is hosted by, accountable to, and registered with YWAM Harpenden's charity. Brian has also represented the YWAM Maritime Academy at Nautical Institute meetings as a Fellow, a responsibility he continues to fulfil.

From 1 September 2022 to 31 August 2023, YWAM's Maritime Academy instructors, Captain Brian Sloan in Harpenden and Rev. Matt Webster in Wales taught 24 trainees by distance learning. They also continued guiding graduates towards multiplying their efforts in marine training. To this end, they welcomed Dane Suomela from Finland as another instructor. Dane graduated from the first Schools of Navigation and Seamanship (SoNS) Brian led onboard YWAM Next Wave in 2017. Dane persevered to become a Yacht Master and then an instructor. Together with Hinrich Kraenzlin, YWAM leader of Yacht for Life, and in partnership with Suva Marina, Fiji, they registered a RYA/YWAM Maritime Academy training centre, with Dane as their approved instructor. In the second quarter of 2023, Dane provided approved Navigation and Seamanship theory and practical training to nine trainees, with seven successfully passing Yacht Master's theory exams. Following this great example, YWAM Ships/Maritime Academy Singapore is now preparing to register their training centre and run their own school in 2024, transitioning from reliance on remote instruction by Brian and Matthew. YWAM Ships Corpus Christi is also moving this way, as is a new team from YWAM Ships in Greece.

During this period, Brian spearheaded the project management for the refit of m/v Island Reach, owned by YWAM Ships Switzerland and being prepared to serve long term in Madagascar. Despite logistical challenges, Brian provided remote training to the team in Madagascar during the winter, preparing them for the vessel's arrival. By August 2023, the sea-going vessel underwent a comprehensive overhaul, including converting the holds into medical areas and additional cabins for medical staff on the foredeck. The medical centre is scheduled for outfitting in September, with donated medical equipment set for installation. However, three critical items—air conditioning, a water maker, and a satellite communications unit—still need procurement and installation. Ongoing fundraising efforts aim to secure these items, with the vessel scheduled to set sail in Spring 2024.

### Safeguarding Training

YWAM Harpenden reviewed its Safeguarding (SG) policies and procedures and established a new membership with The Independent Safeguarding Service (ISS), an independent charity run by safeguarding experts who seek to support charities in all aspects of safeguarding. In conjunction with YWAM's National Safeguarding Advisory Team, the Safeguarding Lead has updated and revised safeguarding processes in each stage of our work and ministry, including safer recruitment, training and ongoing monitoring of all people involved in our YWAM ministries.

#### Key improvements included

- Monitoring the application process to include SG-focused questions in interviews and up-to-date info for handling references and background checks
- Overhauling our safeguarding training

Safeguarding Training has continued in two critical areas over the past two years.

- We are utilising the Induction training video as the initial stage of the training process for all new volunteers and short-term teams. This video has been shown to approximately 150 people this year at this location and to others in YWAM Cornwall and YWAM Mosaic.
- We are outsourcing all training courses, providing a layer of accountability outside YWAM and giving individuals a nationally recognised certificate (CDP)

In the reporting period, an estimated 130 bookings were made with ISS. All volunteer staff attended the 'Safeguarding in the Faith Sector' training, with many attending additional courses. Records are diligently maintained as evidence of individuals' training, with certificates of participation attached to their personnel files.

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### **SUPPORTING COMMUNITIES**

Every year, our staff engage in various ministries and activities as we identify missional needs in Harpenden and the surrounding communities. We strategically invest in individuals, teams, and resources to help meet those needs. We continued to offer our property as a place for locals to take their daily exercise, walk their dogs, get a coffee, and play outside with their children

#### **Seniors Lunch and Local Charity Work**

Our monthly Seniors event for local seniors continues to serve our area's older adults. At these events, we provided home-cooked meals, desserts, decorations, and entertainment such as quizzes, games, and musical performances. Attendance has steadily increased, with 25-45 seniors joining us each month

Our dedicated volunteer staff have extended their support to other local charities, exemplifying our commitment to community service. Two to three staff members volunteer weekly at the Salvation Army food bank in partnership with Bethany Church, assisting with sorting and distributing donations and assembling food packages for local families in need. Additionally, we organised a team to assemble 100 Christmas Hampers distributed to households supported by the food bank throughout the year.

Furthermore, some of our staff members continue to serve alongside Azalea, a charity that operates a help centre in Luton, providing care and support for sexually exploited and vulnerable women. Our contributions include fundraising efforts, preparing and packaging around 40 homemade frozen meals monthly for their food bank, and providing financial support for various needs. Additionally, one staff member volunteers regularly to provide barista training to the women, empowering them with valuable skills for the future

#### **Events**

Rory Brown held an art exhibition, 'Footprints', in November 2022, along with a sculpture by Judith Menges. Kings Chamber Orchestra performed three classical concerts in the Chapel on December 3, 2022, with over 450 attending. Frontiers held their four-day modular training school for fifteen participants. In March 2023, we renewed Dog Walkers' permits, offering an engraved dog tag and a lanyard, with 109 permits issued. The Colts rented our two football pitches on Sunday mornings from September 2022 to April 2023. They moved to an all-weather pitch for the 2023/24 season

Volunteer staff held a Summer Fair for the local community in June 2023. Local churches and the chaplaincy of the University of Bedford held Holy Spirit away days. Local churches have held youth meetings, prayer and worship nights, and church leadership away days. Music recitals were also held in the Chapel, alongside various celebrations, including weddings, quinceañeras, Golden Wedding Celebrations, and birthday parties during Spring/Summer 2023.

For Wild Hope 2023, YWAM Harpenden became the lead organisation partnering with Hope Together UK, Fusion, and Agape Outreach activities followed a three-day training event in July 2023 in Wimbledon, Liverpool, Bedford, Machen, Wilmington, and Coventry, where five student teams served local churches in evangelism for six days. Circuit Riders also conducted a four-day student discipleship training and evangelism event in July 2023, with 85 students and 45 staff participating. August 2023 saw various events, including a Kings Kids Poland outreach camp for 30 youth, a Brazilian Cultural Exchange for 30 teenagers and teachers, and 100 leaders gathered for the Western European DTS Gathering.

#### **The Send**

YWAM Harpenden has begun a collaborative venture with churches and other Christian organisations in the UK and abroad to serve a missions catalysing initiative called The Send. It works by networking and gathering young people, culminating in large arena and stadium events where we invite young people to consider how God might be calling them to engage in God's mission. We connect those who respond with partner churches and organisations who offer training and opportunities to support them in taking concrete steps to serve in schools, universities, local neighbourhoods, care for vulnerable children, and share the Gospel cross-culturally.

YWAM Harpenden works closely with the Church of England, Gregory Centre for Church Multiplication and others. This project is still in its early phases. Still, YWAM Harpenden's volunteer staff will help plan and coordinate The Send, visit churches and youth groups across the UK and Ireland, invite young people to follow Jesus, serve at events, and help plan and coordinate follow-up

#### **Young Missionaries Summer School (YMSS)**

We collaborated with the Redeemed Christian Church of God (RCCG) for the seventh consecutive year to host and facilitate the Young Missionaries Summer School. This year marked a significant milestone as we welcomed 70 participants, including young individuals and staff members, to a 5-day training camp dedicated to fostering missional living across areas of society. The feedback we received from participants was overwhelmingly positive, reflecting the impactful nature of the training camp. As a result, the RCCG is now exploring opportunities to partner with us for our Mission Adventures program. They are also considering incorporating an outreach component into their own summer school program, further solidifying our collaborative efforts to advance mission initiatives



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### Pottery

In the pottery, we welcome an average of 38 visitors per week. Every Tuesday for five weeks, we received six new participants referred by Mind in collaboration with The Harpenden Trust, assisted by three or four volunteers per session. Due to the high demand from individuals who attended with Mind, we are considering launching a second group of six visitors and three volunteers. We run two sessions on Wednesdays and regularly accommodate 14-16 visitors. Approximately ten YWAM residents utilise the pottery, invited by staff members. During community events like the summer fete and Apple Festival, we assist around 75 children, providing engaging activities. We recently hosted 30 preschool children who observed Trevor throwing pottery and received clay leaves and hedgehogs to take home. Each term, we host two afternoons for Luton Youthscape, welcoming ten girls and then ten boys as an intervention for teenage school refusers. Our strong partnership with Azalea includes inviting them to our premises, supplying them with a second set of glazes, and firing their work, demonstrating our commitment to supporting vulnerable individuals and organisations in our community.

### Poly Tunnel and Hope Garden Project

The Polytunnel and Hope Garden project thrives as a vibrant ministry, fostering connections for our Oval community and the broader community around us. Serving as a hub for individuals and organisations, it has facilitated growth in numbers, relationships, and networks. Our weekly volunteer mornings, held every Tuesday, have seen consistent participation, with three to ten people. These gatherings enable us to maintain the land, prepare for events, and cultivate new areas like the pumpkin patch.

We have continued to work with vulnerable populations such as 'Children in Care', displaced individuals from the Hong Kong community, and children from low-income families in neighbouring towns. We host about one event per month for Children in Care, involving between 7 and 16 children each day and their carers. This summer, we partnered with the Level Trust to host 52 children and 12 carers for a day of outdoor activities. We received overwhelmingly positive feedback from staff, saying it was the 'best activity' in years of provision. We hope to sustain and possibly expand this partnership.

In the summer of 2023, we initiated discussions for a more formal partnership with the Harpenden Trust and 'Mind', the mental health charity. We hope to offer our volunteer morning as a part of their social prescribing program.

### Creative Arts

We conducted weekly training sessions for seven young individuals in art, creative writing, and music techniques from January to April. Throughout this period, they honed their skills and learned to intertwine their faith with their creative expressions. From April to June, they had the opportunity to apply their newfound knowledge during outreach activities in various international locations, enriching their missional endeavours. Three graduates from this program returned with a strong desire to develop their creative work further, integrating their involvement in YWAM with innovative and artistic ways to reach out.

### Mobilising Teams (Neighbours and Nations)

This year, we began to mobilise churches in the UK for missions. We are sending small teams to visit churches in the UK and overseas to achieve this goal. These teams inspire mission vision and encourage churches and individuals in missional living. We aim to cultivate strong relationships with churches and organisations in the UK, opening opportunities for collaborative mission endeavours.

### Mission Adventures

Our Mission Adventures team, dedicated to providing training and short-term mission trip opportunities for youth aged 13-18, organised a program during Easter for a Christian school from Washington State. The group consisted of ten students and two school staff members. YWAM Harpenden facilitated the training program, after which the team embarked on an outreach mission to Albania. During their time in Albania, the team engaged in a diverse range of ministries, including assisting homeless youth, distributing food to remote communities, visiting youth in prison, and conducting a day program on the importance of kindness for local primary school children. We did not run a Mission Adventures training program in the summer as the group we were expecting had to postpone their trip until summer 2024.

### Oval Café

From September 2022 to September 2023, the Oval Café, managed by Simon Hales and Hannah Fritz, achieved significant milestones. The café introduced advanced coffee equipment, including the Mahlkonig E65S GBW Grinder and the Victoria Arduino: Eagle One Espresso Machine, improving coffee quality and consistency. They successfully launched Red Brick Espresso as their primary roast and expanded their retail coffee offerings, generating more than £25,595 in profit for the charity. The team of baristas has grown in skill and passion through comprehensive training sessions provided by Square Mile Roasters. The café emphasised the value of biblical hospitality through seminars and community initiatives, resulting in meaningful testimonials from volunteers and customers. The Oval Café is exploring future opportunities, such as outreach during the 2024 Paris Olympics and collaborations with other Christian businesses in Luton, Coventry, and beyond. Overall, it has been a year of great success and growth for the café.

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### **Wildfire Kids Ministry: (knowing, walking, sharing)**

Every Monday, we host an after-school club welcoming approximately 30 children aged 4 to 11 from YWAM and the local neighbourhood. The kids learn to read and understand the Bible, discover their identity in God, hear His voice, worship, and share His love with others. We aim to help children and their families know God deeply, to bring Him joy, and to make Him and His Kingdom known together. Occasionally, we run a special intercession event called 'Nations Day' to pray for the nations. Last year, we learned about Nigeria and Brazil and prayed for them.

Each term, our team prays and selects themes for our sessions. We often start with knowing who we are in God, discovering our God-given identity, and then walking out that truth. This term, the theme was 'trees' from the Bible. Last term, they learned about sharing with others. We used the book of Acts as a guide along the journey of the disciples and the Holy Spirit.

In October, as Open Hill, we organised the 'Shine Bright' activity, welcoming 34 participants aged 7 to 11. The two-hour program featured games, electronics, crafts, and a treasure hunt.

For Christmas, we organised a special session preparing cards and carols and going out to bless our local neighbours. As part of the different initiatives of the program, we had a special celebration meal for children aged 3 to 15. We had 45 kids plus ten staff celebrating with worship, games, food, and even a special dance. It was a great way to connect generations and bring joy to God together.

At the end of the school year, we host a family celebration where children showcase what they've learned, enjoy games, and share a meal with their families and YWAM staff. This event, attended by around 50 people, provides a beautiful opportunity to conclude the year together in fellowship and gratitude.

In July 2023, Open Hill hosted a day camp titled 'The Great Love Expedition' for children aged 8 to 11. This event, attended by 34 participants from Harpenden, Luton, and London, was a journey of discovery to explore the value of love and kindness and the source of the greatest love from a Christian perspective. The 8-hour program included games, drumming, pizza baking, crafts, treasure hunts, and a bonfire. The event was facilitated by 12 YWAM volunteer staff and over 30 teenagers from King's Kids Poland, serving as part of their outreach in the UK. Inspired by Luke 15 and the parables of the Lost Sheep, Lost Coin, and Lost Son, the activity aimed to convey the relentless love of God toward his creation and how he is actively seeking a relationship with us.

Wildfire and Deborah Cruz initiated a performance project involving children and teenagers from the Oval. Involving 15 to 20 participants, a 16-year-old girl collaborated with two staff in writing some scenes and co-directing ten weeks of rehearsals. The project featured a dance, a theatrical scene, and a shadow theatre scene centred on finding Jesus amidst everyday challenges. The experience provided valuable learning opportunities, and there are plans for further projects next year.

### **Youth Work**

Youth initiatives are part of our ongoing effort to equip young people with the knowledge and skills to navigate complex life and spiritual questions, fostering a well-rounded and compassionate worldview centred on Jesus Christ.

We maintained an active youth community with over 30 youth connected with YWAM Harpenden. Weekly Bible studies are vital, providing a space for spiritual growth and fellowship. We provided one-on-one mentoring and hosted study spaces, offering additional support during exam periods. Recently, we collaborated with Neighbours and Nations to organise youth encounter events, fostering connections and meaningful interactions among young people by working together with local churches and other charities.

### **Jump!**

We partnered with Religious Education projects in Harpenden local schools to bring Christianity to life through exciting and engaging lessons and equipping children to explore the foundations of the Christian faith. Two of our volunteer staff regularly worked with Jump!, a program in primary schools that offers lessons in Christianity which complement and fulfil the requirements of the Herts Agreed Syllabus for Religious Education. The team, made up of volunteers from local churches of various denominations, offers classroom-based learning enriched by trips to local churches and visits from church leaders to talk about their roles and beliefs. Jump! is now involved in seven primary schools in Harpenden, including The Lea, Sauncey Wood, Wood End, Grove Juniors, Harpenden Academy, Manland, and Crabtree.

Here are some statistics from our involvement:

- 21 Christmas lessons
- 45 Easter lessons
- 21 other lessons in the summer term, focusing on topics like 'Parables' or 'Who is God?'
- 5 Step Up days

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We engaged with 92 classes, resulting in 2,760 pupil contacts. We visited 52 classrooms, impacting over 1,500 children by teaching them about God and Christian beliefs. Our efforts have helped make Christianity more accessible and relatable to these young learners

#### **STEP**

We volunteer with STEP, a local charity. Our Harpenden schools' team includes two STEP school coordinators, local youth workers and local Christians who desire young people to discover Jesus. Over the past year, we provided a diverse array of supportive activities and educational content for schools. We facilitated retreat days with themes such as well-being, children of the world (celebrating culture and diversity), as well as identity and relationships. Our educational lessons included Jesus' crucifixion, resurrection, and ascension; who is Jesus?; and reflecting on suffering by storytelling about Job. We tackled subjects like unfair trading through the 'world trade game', prejudice, and the sanctity of life

Furthermore, we conducted a leadership course for sixth-form students and an anxiety relief course titled Haven. Our team has also supported Christian unions, facilitated drop-in lunchtime sessions, and provided weekly mentoring for 15 students identified with confidence issues. The transformation observed in these students has been profound, as a KWS staff member noted: 'They go in low and come out all smiling! It's incredible!' This feedback underscores the positive impact of our efforts on the students' personal and spiritual development.

#### **The Oval Gym**

The Oval Gym flourished as a vibrant community hub utilised daily by campus residents and external visitors. The team has fostered a culture of skill improvement, accountability, and growth in health, emphasising the belief that our bodies are gifts from God, meant to enable us to fulfil our callings. We ensure people are not held back from their callings by a lack of physical fitness. If it is something we can help with, we want to help. The Oval Gym partners with several other groups, including The Kings School Harpenden and Marchon Gym, who continue to train our personal trainers. David Hulford uses The Oval Gym to train his clients throughout the year. He is a wonderful example of using fitness to share faith and pastor people as you walk alongside them. We would love to see the reach of The Oval Gym extend to those struggling to access fitness, helping them to begin a new journey

#### **Cultura (Studio)**

Cultura, the vibrant hub of music and television studios at YWAM Harpenden, remains dedicated to supporting YWAM TV with compelling content. We take pride in our ability to produce and release another outstanding music album in collaboration with Chapel Co, another music ministry that has grown from our community. Additionally, our commitment extends beyond our walls as we persist in creating and releasing inspiring songs from talented independent artists within YWAM Harpenden, local churches, and friends. Our TV studio operates at the forefront of digital engagement, conducting live streams every Friday for Lynn Green while simultaneously crafting impactful content for YWAM International and contributing to the rich programming of TBN UK. Cultural continues to be a beacon of creativity, fostering collaboration and spreading positivity through the power of music and television.

#### **PIONEERING YWAM LOCATIONS**

YWAM Harpenden closed the Bristol team, continued teams in Carlisle, Immerse Cornwall, Mosaic in Luton, Newcastle upon Tyne and began new teams, Arise Leeds, Revive London, and university student team in Clapham House. Our extended staff were involved in a wide variety of ministries and community activities, including running a local food bank, partnering with local churches and events, prayer walking, hiking expeditions, and running DTSs

##### **YWAM Bristol**

The leaders of YWAM Bristol, Kyle and Rossie Henderson-Begg, announced the team's closing in January 2023 as they moved from nearly 20 years of service with YWAM into new things such as an MA in Spiritual Formation and creative fine arts. We are so grateful for their years of faithful witness, sacrificial service, and godly impact on many lives.

##### **YWAM Carlisle**

YWAM Carlisle kicked off the year with an exciting international venture in Invercargill, New Zealand, participating in the 16th annual Burt Munro Challenge. This event, renowned in the motorcycling community, allowed us to collaborate closely with Michael Romkes, the New Zealand National Chairman of the Christian Motorcycling Association (CMA), and other key team members. This outreach was a significant opportunity to engage with the global motorcycling community, leveraging our shared passion for motorcycles to foster connections and share the Christian faith. Through this partnership, we were able to reach a wide audience, demonstrating the power of integrating faith-based initiatives with cultural and sporting events.



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After returning from New Zealand and participating in the UK Christian Motorcyclists Association (CMA) Annual General Meeting in Scotland, my brother and I stepped down from our leadership roles at the Carlisle and Isle of Man (IOM) branches. Both branches remain active, continuing their outreach and ministry efforts. During the lockdowns, we actively engaged with local motorcycle clubs such as the Reiver Riders, Cumbria Classic Motorcycles, and the Random Riders. These connections have led to numerous local ride-outs, helping to strengthen our community ties. The 'Biker Bible', first created in 2007 as an evangelistic tool, has been particularly effective, reaching over 130,000 bikers, with plans to reprint another 10,000 copies thanks to robust funding within the CMA. Since YWAM bought the new YAMAHA GT 900 in June 2021, Richard has covered over 21,000 miles, including tours through Spain and Portugal with a non-Christian friend.

Opportunities continue as the week-long residential debrief retreats welcome people from all walks of life. Our longstanding annual men's retreat started in 2001 and remains a key event. Preaching and teaching opportunities continue along with the commitment to outreach.

#### **YWAM Immerse Cornwall**

YWAM Immerse Cornwall has been bustling with activity, engaging in various ministries and outreaches over the past year. The team consisted of eight long-term staff members, four local volunteers, three short-term staff members, six English interns, and one general intern. We welcomed 63 guests into our community. We hosted four teams with 20 individuals (Harpenden English and Cultural Orientation ECO, Norway DTS, King's Lodge DTS, and Harpenden April DTS) to engage with us in local outreaches such as food banks, a café, and after-school clubs.

We participated in after-school club activities with teenagers in partnership with Camborne Church. We supported two food banks run by churches in Redruth and Camborne. We assisted a church in Scorrier with a toddler group and worked alongside churches hosting cafes in Newquay and Camborne. We also engaged in dance ministry alongside people from across Cornwall. YWAM Immerse initiated a pottery ministry to support those struggling with mental health and to foster creativity. We developed a community garden with similar objectives.

We birthed a new gathering called WAVES, initially targeting young adults for revival preparation but now attracting people of all generations, with 30 to 50 attending. Although we planned to run a Discipleship Training School (DTS), there weren't enough applicants to proceed. We led two Freedom Course seminars, each running for 12 weeks, held at a church in Redruth.

We worked alongside Creation Fest, deploying 20 YWAMers to serve at the festival. We also partnered with a church café in Newquay during the Boardmasters Festival, serving over 100 people and engaging in amazing gospel conversations, aligning with the café's vision of evangelism.

#### **YWAM Mosaic**

YWAM Mosaic, operating in Luton, continued to collaborate with local communities to prepare Christians for lives of discipleship, leadership, spiritual awakening, and transformative action. This involved leadership development, weekly prayer walks and evangelism, church-based networks, prayer with local pastors, church-based counselling services, and work with the Treehouse at Bedfordshire University. We also did evangelistic outreaches to models during fashion week in partnership with YWAM Milan. This outreach allowed us to shine brightly with the Gospel and witness God's active presence in spaces where He is not mentioned.

In March 2023, we had the pleasure of hosting our third 72-hour worship and prayer event, attended by local church leaders and members, fostering unity and spiritual renewal in the city. We also welcomed outreach teams to Luton, enabling them to minister in the city and other parts of England through performing arts.

#### **YWAM Newcastle upon Tyne**

YWAM Newcastle Upon Tyne has enjoyed partnering with Friends International and Agape to facilitate evangelism training for reaching international students. These training sessions, held biannually, have attracted over 30 participants each time. We hope the Christian Unions from the two local universities will join these sessions, further increasing our outreach potential.

We continued to run a youth group for one of the local churches and hope to mobilise this group and others near the church for a week of outreach in the summer holidays of 2024. We also started mentoring various youth, spoke at an international student weekend away, supported Cedarwood Festival's youth tent, and volunteered at a local food bank. We hosted two outreach teams and saw two or three people come to faith. YWAM Newcastle Upon Tyne remains dedicated to nurturing young individuals, meeting community needs, and spreading the Christian faith through practical and engaging initiatives.

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#### YWAM Revive London

From 1 September 2022 to 31 August 2023, YWAM Revive London experienced its first full year of pioneering efforts, primarily focusing on Southwest and Central London. The team, consisting of four adults and two children, reported a successful year in ministry with the launch of several new initiatives

Key Ministries Launched by YWAM Revive London

- Expedition Thrive (September – October 2022)
- Worship Leaders' Gathering
- Worship Nights in Southwest London
- Weekly Evangelism in Wimbledon

Expedition Thrive is an 18-day co-ed hiking journey from North to South Wales, encouraging believers to actively engage with the Holy Spirit—listening to His guidance, doing what He says, and going where He directs. The expedition began with five participants from Germany, Italy, the USA, and South Africa. Throughout the journey, the team engaged in intercessory prayer for Wales, met and encouraged university students, visited YWAM teams in Wrexham, Cardiff, and Liverpool, and preached the Gospel

Worship Leaders' Gathering is an initiative to gather worship leaders from across the London Metropolitan Area for joint worship sessions, fostering a sense of community among worship leaders from different church backgrounds. The gatherings aim to promote unity between churches through the shared experience of worship

Worship Nights in Southwest London seeks to draw young people into the presence of God, partnering with local churches. Over the past year, churches such as Elim Wimbledon, St. Andrew's South Wimbledon, and St. Mary West Moseley have hosted several successful Worship Nights

Weekly Evangelism in Wimbledon is a fruitful initiative that has seen over 38 salvations since January of this year. The majority of these are teenagers coming to Christ for the first time. It is a coordinated effort with several local churches in Wimbledon, such as Shofar Church, Everyday Church, and other local evangelists

YWAM Revive London also continued to develop its established ministry efforts, including

- YWAM Alumni London
- Expedition Rising Son
- Expedition Dartmoor
- The Championships Wimbledon Outreach with Love All, Serve All and local churches

YWAM Alumni London (started in 2021) is a network of former YWAM trainees, staff members, and others who are champions and friends of YWAM and live in London. The team hosts a quarterly gathering at St. Peter's Church Notting Hill. The vision is to build a community of individuals with shared YWAM experience to transform London through the Gospel and meaningful Kingdom relationships. Future plans include facilitating mentoring and providing pastoral support within the alumni network

Expedition Rising Son is a 30-day men's faith hike from Munich to Venice with the heart to see men encounter the Father in an experiential learning environment. This expedition aims to deepen participants' faith through obedience, helping men to hear God's voice, witness His faithfulness, and experience His provision. The expedition started on 7 August and continued until 7 September 2023, with eight participants

Expedition Dartmoor (21-26 April 2023) is a short faith and team-building hike from Exeter to Plymouth through the Dartmoor National Park. The YWAM Revive London team facilitated it for the DTS of YWAM Urban Key London Willesden, with 15 participants engaging in this transformative outdoor experience

Lastly, the team hosted the following outreach teams during this period.

- Circuit Riders Carry the Love Tour
- YWAM Kona Heartbridge DTS
- YWAM Paris Connect DTS
- Wild Hope UK

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Together with the Circuit Riders, YWAM Revive London coordinated the Carry the Love Tour UK National Gathering at Westminster Chapel (11 March 2023) and the Brave Love National Gathering at St. Peter's Church Notting Hill (1 May 2023). These gatherings aimed to foster unity, ignite passion for the Gospel and evangelism, and mobilise attendees for mission-oriented living

#### **YWAM Arise Leeds**

YWAM Arise Leeds began with a couple with many connections in Leeds and a vision to plant a YWAM base there focused on training young people that inspires them to go all in for God and to catch His heart for unreached people groups as they minister amongst them. In 2022, we helped prepare to re-pioneer the YWAM Harpenden School of Frontier Missions (SOFM) in September 2023. The SOFM will join us in Leeds for a week of ministry training in November. There have been challenges growing the team as two volunteers left for personal reasons after three-month stints

Ongoing meetings with local church and ministry leaders have been crucial. We share the vision of YWAM Arise Leeds and explore how we can support and build unity together with them, especially in missions involving international students, migrants, refugees, and other cross-cultural work in the city. The response from the local Christian community has been overwhelmingly positive, with many expressing excitement and encouragement about the initiatives being undertaken.

#### **Clapham House**

During the last year, two university students in London with roots in YWAM Harpenden have been residing in Clapham House alongside full-time YWAMers. Together, they have dedicated an hour each morning to prayer and worship. As part of an evolving vision to create a discipleship community for students, the full-time YWAMers vacated the house during the summer to make room for additional university students. The daily rhythms of prayer and worship continued, and a weekly fellowship meal and discipleship evening were added. This initiative represents a proactive effort to integrate YWAM's ethos into the daily lives of university students, offering them a space to deepen their faith, build relationships, and engage in discipleship within the context of academic pursuits

### **SUPPORTING OVERSEAS WORK**

#### **Circuits**

YWAM Harpenden sends individuals and teams on short and long-term outreach, collaborating with mission partners across various regions, particularly in circuit nations like Uganda, Albania, the Himalayas, the Middle East, Central Asia, and areas with refugee populations. In the past year, another long-term volunteer relocated to Albania, while plans are underway to send two more long-term volunteers to the Himalayas. Additionally, we sent four teams over five months to assist in the aftermath of the earthquake in Turkey assisting in relief work and bringing encouragement and a listening ear to many who had lost everything

In Albania, short-term teams partnered with local ministries to engage in school outreach, distribute Bibles, and share the Gospel. Similarly, teams worked with refugees in the Middle East, facilitated English clubs, prayed for people on the street, visited homes, and distributed food parcels. In the Himalayas, volunteer staff were involved in various projects, while others contributed to teaching efforts in Albania. Teams also went to Mexico and Ecuador. Notably, a team in Mexico visited an indigenous community in the mountains, providing school and dental supplies to 400 children. Looking ahead, YWAM Harpenden plans further mission outreaches, including sending volunteers to Uganda to assist with Oral Bible Translation projects, demonstrating our ongoing commitment to global missions and partnership with local communities

#### **Refugee Response**

The Refugee Response Team, established in March 2022, was crucial in coordinating international volunteers (both individuals and teams) and facilitating communication with YWAM teams operating in areas affected by the Ukraine conflict. As the situation in-country moved out of the acute phase and the demand for us to manage international volunteers decreased, this function of the team is now dormant. This financial year, we received an additional £14,396 in donations and distributed £98,164 to YWAM projects in the affected region. These funds provided essential resources, such as water filters to address regional flooding, generators for winter, as well as multiple Tiny Homes for those who lost their houses during the conflict. The ongoing support and contributions made a significant impact in assisting those affected by the Ukraine conflict, demonstrating the commitment of the Refugee Response Team and YWAM to providing aid and relief to communities in great need

#### **ReFactory / IT Uganda / Lift 256**

The work of 'ReFactory' in Uganda, which trained nearly 500 software developers with 86% of them finding full-time employment shortly after finishing our courses, entered a new stage. A standalone Ugandan company was established that is seeking to become self-sustaining from a financial perspective. We designed our courses to help IT graduates rapidly expand their IT knowledge, embrace the latest IT trends, and learn soft skills, all with a focus on character development. The "learn by doing" approach saw us successfully complete over 40 local and pan-African IT projects and develop partnerships with several local and international organisations. We fund an Agile consultant retainer for Lift 256 as the primary ongoing expense

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### **Britcare**

Britcare continued to meet weekly to pray for the ministries and personal needs of British YWAM members serving abroad. We also wrote official letters, gave advice, and supported British YWAM members where needed. Additionally, we met, debriefed and encouraged several Britcare members while they were on furlough in the UK.

### **Orphans Know More**

Orphans Know More (OKM) supports the Jinja Foster Family Network in Uganda, strengthening 25 Ugandan families who have fostered/adopted more than 200 orphaned and vulnerable children. Our annual Classical Christmas Concerts in December 2022, held in the Highfield Oval Chapel, resulted in a collection for OKM. We could send funds at Christmas to assist with food for each of the families. Although fundraising has been limited, our regular donors enabled us to sustain our commitment to assist with school fees and educational supplies for those in primary, secondary, and vocational education and to replenish the emergency medical fund. In early 2023, we visited Uganda to conduct a financial and ministry audit and visit the families and team. The other trip focused on discovering educational needs and opportunities in four primary schools. These visits, arranged by the social worker for the Jinja Foster Family Network, were entirely funded by individual volunteer staff and not by OKM. We ensure that 100% of funds raised from donors go to support our work in Uganda. Since 2005, OKM has remained dedicated to transforming vulnerable children's lives by strengthening families who are serving local communities in Uganda.

### **CREATING A MISSIONAL COMMUNITY**

YWAM Harpenden's full-time volunteers living at Highfield Oval have committed to being part of a live/learn missional community and agree to uphold YWAM's foundational values. They engage in regular patterns of worship, prayer, and work on a daily and weekly basis, both corporately and individually. Creating this missional community is essential to our calling as missionaries and is a gift we offer to welcome others in and from which we are sent out. We invest significant time in the relational aspects of Christian community, practising the New Testament 'one anothers'. The physical facilities of Highfield Oval are essential to enable this shared life together, providing space where we can learn to follow Jesus' ways, and space where we can invite others in to experience something of this life and the peace and joy it brings. The Oval site has extensive residential accommodation, which is used primarily for residential training purposes and for missionaries and interns working in the local community. It also serves as housing for many of the volunteer staff. Contributions are received for all such use, which are included in the accounts as 'housing contributions'.

Volunteers are engaged in all aspects of the charity's activities, including senior management and training roles. Such volunteers, as is usual in missionary organisations, often receive support from their own sponsors and other supporters or have other sources of income including from self-employed activities.

In addition to the residential staff and trainees contributing to the expenses of maintaining the property, we also allow individuals and some groups to use our private grounds and facilities. We have opened areas of our property for local sports and fitness groups, such as Fit Mums and Pilates, Harpenden Colts Football Club, Marchon Fitness, Brambleton Railway, pottery classes, a Forest School, visits from local schools, and hosted events for church groups and charities. Except for holidays and special events, much of our property is open to the public throughout the week, and our grounds continue to be a popular destination for individuals and families to enjoy the beautiful scenery, play in the large open spaces, or ride their bikes and scooters around the Oval. We also have about 80-100 dog walkers each day. Some of these donate. We register the dog walkers and communicate with them about using the site.

### **Oval Prayer Room**

The heart of the Oval Prayer Room is to integrate missions with prayer and worship through unbroken communion with God. We believe that prayer should be the lifeblood of a missional Christian community, so we are creating rhythms and atmospheres for people to hear God and obey Him. In addition to our Monday morning worship involving the whole community, the prayer room team maintained regular rhythms of 8-9 AM devotionals on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays, and intercession from 9-10 AM on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Individuals and groups use the Oval Prayer Room spontaneously at many other times.

### **Hospitality and Oasis**

During this time, the Hospitality House team provided care for a total of 456 guests. These guests primarily included family and close friends of staff, school speakers, YWAM convenors, European Leadership Gathering members, Team Plant leaders, and leaders attending events and meetings at Highfield Oval.

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We continued to offer our Oasis ministry, providing a retreat space for missionaries to be spiritually, emotionally, and physically restored and empowered. Our hospitality building includes a two-bedroom flat reserved for this purpose, open to single missionaries, couples, and families, with priority given to guests from our focus nations. We also welcomed missionaries under Britcare and friends of missionaries in Harpenden serving in Europe or elsewhere globally. Following the pandemic, we hosted many missionaries at Oasis, facilitating debriefing sessions that empowered them to continue their work with renewed strength.

### **Worship and Chapel Co**

Our YWAM Harpenden community gathers multiple times each week for sung worship led by various worship leaders and musicians. Worship is an integral part of our core YWAM values, hence the reason we gather corporately to spend time and seek the face of the Lord. Also, the practice of corporate worship significantly inspires our sense of teamwork and togetherness, which motivates us toward achieving our goals and overall YWAM vision.

Chapel Co, a collective that writes and produces Christian music, made a live recording of five new songs. We shared our music at churches, youth groups and Christian festivals such as David's Tent and Creation Fest in Cornwall. Looking ahead, we are excited to collaborate with artists outside of YWAM and are currently working on new projects, including studio version singles scheduled for release in the upcoming year. Our network with other Christian artists in the UK has expanded, and we are actively engaged in collaborative efforts for our new recordings.

We are thrilled to announce that Chapel Co is now a verified artist on Spotify, boasting 3,244 monthly listeners. Additionally, our presence on YouTube has garnered over 6,000 views. We focus on creating inspiring music and fostering connections within the Christian music community across the UK and Europe. We will also work alongside Neighbors and Nations, travelling to different events and leading worship at various churches as part of our commitment to spreading the message of faith and hope through music.

### **Site Development**

Site Development's primary focus for the past twelve months has been to complete the Kinahan Lodge building project. Kinahan Lodge, with its nine ensuite bedrooms, breakfast room, large meeting space and industrial kitchen, is being constructed to gather people from the spheres of society to tell their stories from their places of work, collaborate, and innovate together. In the past few months, the exterior building has been completed, the electrical and data cables have been laid, water and underfloor heating pipes have been fitted, and the floor has been screeded.

A YWAM-led construction team with a mentorship-style approach is being assembled to assist with the final stages of construction. Concurrently, a design team has been diligently working on plans for the interior design and furnishings. Funding, through generous donations, has allowed the project to reach the current phase in its development. Fundraising initiatives are underway to raise the last £500,000 of the project. The vision is to complete the interior plumbing, electrics, construction, interior design, and landscaping by 2024.

### **Property Services**

The Property Services Team at YWAM Harpenden has remained a vital ministry, dedicated to refurbishing and maintaining the 48-acre Highfield Oval campus to accommodate over one hundred volunteers and numerous guests and trainees. This year, we completed the refurbishment of a self-contained singles dormitory. We also renovated three bathrooms located in the Hospitality building, a family flat, and a singles dormitory. We purchased 500m<sup>2</sup> of carpet tiles at a discount and trained other personnel to assist with installation, resulting in about 100m<sup>2</sup> of new carpet being laid. Additionally, our team refurbished three bedrooms for Short-Term Accommodation.

Most of our ministry time is spent maintaining our buildings and grounds. We automated heating and hot water systems in each building, optimising wiring for efficiency and collecting data to maximise energy efficiency. We managed woodchip deliveries for our biomass boiler and conducted maintenance and repairs, ensuring its functionality. We routinely maintained the plumbing and electrical systems, with occasional minor improvements. We extended the CCTV system by installing cameras on the Factory building and maintained the electronic lock system. We maintained the site grounds and mechanical equipment, paying attention to cleaning and organising areas behind the BB hall and the Factory. We also carried out minor road repairs.

Regarding equipment, we replaced one washing machine and maintained the remaining eight washing machines and nine dryers. Maintenance of three road vehicles was also part of our responsibilities. We finished installing fire alarm systems in the Training Building, BB Hall, and the Factory, with weekly testing and minor error corrections as needed campus-wide. Our commitment to maintaining a safe and functional environment for all occupants of the Highfield Oval campus remains unwavering.

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#### Financial review

The results for the year ended 31 August 2023 are given in the Consolidated Statement of Financial Activities together with the Consolidated Balance Sheet giving details of the assets and liabilities. The Comparative figures are for the year ended 31 August 2022. The trustees are pleased to report a total income of £1,562,032 (2022: £1,313,173), a 19% increase from 2022. It reflected the divine provision, the hard work of our faithful volunteers, and the generosity of our donors and supporters. Our total expenditure was £1,332,041 a 10% increase from 2022 (£1,206,972)

Total funds brought forward from 2023 were £400,851 and those carried forward are £630,842. See notes 2 - 4 for income-related breakdown and 5 - 7 for charitable expenditures; note 15 - 16 for charity funds

#### Principal Sources of Income:

The primary sources of income for the charity continued to be training schools, ministries and projects, hospitality, catering and events, and financial contributions made by our resident full-time volunteers toward the cost of maintaining the missional community at Highfield Oval

We received a total of £146,457 (2022: £251,584) in donations and grants. Of the total donations received, £14,396 were restricted for the Refugees Fund (2022: £137,440). £81,980 is for general purpose (2022: £56,249), £50,081 (2022: £57,895) designated to our ministries/projects and pioneering other locations. See note 2

The charity's live-on-site-volunteers community has contributed a total of £337,479 (2022: £299,962) toward the running and maintenance costs of the Highfield Oval site, where the charity is based. Various activities focusing on supporting communities generated a total income of £324,120 (2022: £178,528)

The total income included £129,820 (2022: £118,895) charitable trading income generated by the charity's 100% own trading subsidiary, Highfield Oval Limited. See note 4. The trading expenditure totalled £83,363 (2022: £86,082). The Oval Café, started operating under Highfield Oval Limited from 1st January 2020. During each financial year and at the end financial year, the subsidiary transfers back its trading profit to the parent charity. The total transfer was £40,141 (2022: £36,813)

Our total income from training was £393,676 (2022: £219,057), which was 44% higher than the previous year. Our core training programme, the Discipleship Training School (DTS), had a total income of £247,684 (2022: £197,290). Total income from other schools and training programmes was £20,168 (2022: £21,766). See note 3. Total income from English & Cultural Orientation school was £125,824 (2022: NIL)

Our teams in Bristol, Cornwall (Redruth) and St Albans income and other locations totalled £95,861 (£104,944 in 2022). These incomes are designated to these teams and used directly for each operating location's activities

#### Expenditures:

Our three main charitable objectives: creating a missional community, supporting communities and training continue to drive our major operating expenditures. See note 6. The total spending relates to the maintenance and development of the Highfield Oval missional community totalled £620,211 or 54% of total charitable expenditures (2022: £609,494, 55%)

Resources directly spent on activities supporting communities through various ministries, community projects, and events totalled £228,803 or 20% of total charitable expenditures (2022: £187,980, 17%). Total spending related to our training activities totalled £200,941, 17% of charitable expenditures (2022: £126,782, 11%)

Other charitable expenditures totalled £198,726 (2022: £196,684), 17% of total resources spent. They are related to our other objectives: Pioneering YWAM locations £70,747 (2022: £107,300), and Supporting Overseas Works, projects in Uganda, £9,351 (2022: £17,811) and £98,164 (2022: £56,801) restricted fund spent on refugees' response projects. The remaining £20,464 were governance costs (2022: £14,722). The significant increase is due to the audit fee £14,904 (2022: £10,800). The charity reached the audit threshold of £1M income in 2022. See note 6



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## TRUSTEES' REPORT (INCLUDING DIRECTORS' REPORT) (CONTINUED)

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### **Going Concern**

After making appropriate enquiries, the trustees have a reasonable expectation that the company has adequate resources to continue operating for the foreseeable future. For this reason, they continue to adopt the going concern basis in preparing the financial statements. Further details regarding the adoption of the going concern basis can be found in the Accounting Policies

### **Investment Policy**

The trustees have considered the most appropriate policy for investing funds and have found that deposit accounts meet their requirements to generate a reasonable return with security capital and ease of access. The charity has one 100% owned trading subsidiary (with £1 capital). The subsidiary company remits 100% of its profit back to the charity at the end of its financial year

Most of the charity's funds are to be spent in the short term so there are few funds for long term investment. The Board of Trustees are empowered under the Articles of Association to expend the funds of the charity in such manner as they shall consider most beneficial for the achievements of the objects, and to invest in the name of the charity such part of the funds as they may see fit, and to direct the sale or transposition of any such investments

### **Reserves Policy**

The trustees have established a policy whereby the unrestricted funds not committed or invested in tangible fixed assets ('the free reserves') held by the charity should be kept to a minimum, but sufficient to provide working capital of three months' expenditure. This is in line with the spirit and ethos of the founding purposes of the charity. At the end of 2023 the unrestricted funds of the charity, shown in note 16, were £556,177 (2022: £235,675). This corresponds to 3.5 months (2022: 3.5 months) of unrestricted operating costs and is considered sufficient by the trustees.

### **Plans for future periods**

**Operational Structures:** We plan to strengthen our new operating structures and teams by meeting more regularly with leaders of our visionary 'hubs' and operational 'gears'. We will work to develop a team for a new communications operational gear

**Training:** We plan to continue the Catalyst DTS every September and Fusion DTS (in Spanish and English) every January. We plan to start a tri-lingual DTS every April. We also plan to continue the Biblical Core Course (BCC) in September

**Studio:** We plan to expand the use of the recording studio and collaborate with other musicians and artists. We will partner with local churches and other organisations to record various content and review how best to move forward with those projects. Another season of a talk show style series called GirlTalk will be produced

**Events:** We plan to increase our capacity to host short term mission events and training such as a Bible week to highlight the need for Bible translation, distribution, and engagement in every language

**Site Development:** We will continue to partner with YWAM Ltd to work toward completing the Kinahan Lodge building project. A new team will be formed for fundraising and completing the interior. Maintenance will continue to restore and paint windows and replace ageing bathrooms in areas such as hospitality

**Children and Youth Work:** We plan to continue to grow this ministry with Wildfire (Primary school age) and Secondary school age children on our campus, leading them in Bible studies and youth group activities. Our children and youth invite children from the local community who are interested to join. We plan to gather and pray with leaders of youth groups and organisations in the UK and Ireland

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## TRUSTEES' REPORT (INCLUDING DIRECTORS' REPORT) (CONTINUED)

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

#### **Governing document and body**

The company was incorporated on 9<sup>th</sup> December 2013. Its Memorandum of Association sets out its objects and powers and it is governed by its Articles of Association. The governing body of the charity is the Board of Trustees. The trustees are also the directors for the purposes of Companies Acts

#### **Recruitment and appointment of trustees**

As the charity is of a very relational nature, new trustees have traditionally been recruited through the extensive network of the current trustees and the leadership in the charity to meet the needs of the charity in different fields of expertise. Each new trustee is given a personal induction programme, including a notebook outlining the responsibilities of a trustee, a meeting with the chairman and a time to meet the other trustees to ask questions. All trustees also receive additional ongoing training through charity sector updates, and they are invited to charity sector seminars. The trustees may appoint any member to become a trustee provided the prescribed maximum is not exceeded. Any trustee appointed in this way is required to retire and be formally elected at the next annual general meeting. They would be eligible for re-election by the members. Under the Articles of Association, one third of the trustees must retire at the AGM, although they are eligible for re-election every three years

#### **Governance**

The Board of Trustees are responsible for the property and financial monitoring and approving the strategy and vision of the charity and ensuring the strategy is being implemented. It receives reports on all aspects of the work and meets formally two to four times a year. It delegates the main day to day decisions to the Executive leaders. The trustees also liaise with Youth With A Mission leadership both nationally and internationally to ensure that the values and vision of YWAM internationally are being applied

#### **Risk Management**

At least twice a year, reviews of the types of risks the Charity faces are conducted. The potential impact and likelihood of occurrence and means of mitigating the risks are identified. The Board will receive an updated risk register twice a year to review and analyse, or as soon as a potential significant risk is identified. One of the major risks identified is to improve our budgetary control and financial reporting. The trustees have set policies on risk and internal controls to minimise the potential risks to the charity. Through the risk management process, the trustees are satisfied that the major risks have been identified and have been adequately mitigated where possible. It is recognised that systems can only provide reasonable but not absolute assurance that major risks have been adequately managed

#### **Volunteers**

The charity relies entirely on the contributions of unpaid volunteers to carry out its activities but placing a monetary value on their contribution is impractical and cannot be measured reliably for accounting purposes. Therefore, this contribution is not included in the charity's accounts



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## TRUSTEES' REPORT (INCLUDING DIRECTORS' REPORT) (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2023

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### **Statement of Trustees' responsibilities**

The trustees, who are also the directors of Youth With A Mission Harpenden for the purpose of company law, are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice)

Company Law requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year. Under company law the Trustees must not approve the financial statements unless they are satisfied that they give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure, of the charitable company for that period

In preparing these financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently,
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP,
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent,
- state whether applicable UK Accounting Standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operation

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

The trustees are responsible for maintenance and integrity of the corporate and financial information included on the charitable company's website. Legislation in the United Kingdom governing the preparation and dissemination of financial statements may differ from legislation in other jurisdictions

Under the terms of the Charities Act 2011, the company falls within the range for which not require an audit. However, an independent examination of the accounts is required. The Trustees approved this report on 20<sup>th</sup> June 2022 and signed on their behalf by Auditor

### **Auditors**

A resolution will be proposed and agreed at the Annual General Meeting that SCB (Accountants) Ltd be appointed as auditors of the Charity for the ensuing year

The report of the directors has been prepared taking advantage of the small companies' exemption of section 415A of the Companies Act 2006.

The Trustees' report was approved by the Board of Trustees



John Peachey  
Chairman

Date: 26.06.2024



Charles Lynn Green  
Trustee

Date: 26-06-2024

# YOUTH WITH A MISSION HARPENDEN

## INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

### TO THE TRUSTEES OF YOUTH WITH A MISSION HARPENDEN

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#### Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Youth With A Mission Harpenden (the 'charitable company') for the year ended 31 August 2023 which comprise the Statement of Financial Activities, Balance Sheet, Cash flow statement and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards, including Financial Reporting Standard 102 *The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland* (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice)

In our opinion, the financial statements

- give a true and fair view of the state of the charitable company's affairs as at 31 August 2023 and of its incoming resources and application of resources including its income and expenditure for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice; and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006.

#### Basis for opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK) (ISAs (UK)) and applicable law. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the *Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements* section of our report. We are independent of the charity in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in the UK, including the FRC's Ethical Standard, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion

#### Conclusions relating to going concern

In auditing the financial statements, we have concluded that the trustees' use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements is appropriate

Based on the work we have performed, we have not identified any material uncertainties relating to events or conditions that, individually or collectively, may cast significant doubt on the charity's ability to continue as a going concern for a period of at least twelve months from when the financial statements are authorised for issue

Our responsibilities and the responsibilities of the trustees with respect to going concern are described in the relevant sections of this report

#### Other information

The other information comprises the information included in the Trustees' annual report, other than the financial statements and our auditor's report thereon. The trustees are responsible for the other information contained within the annual report. Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and, except to the extent otherwise explicitly stated in our report, we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon. Our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the course of the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If we identify such material inconsistencies or apparent material misstatements, we are required to determine whether this gives rise to a material misstatement in the financial statements themselves. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact

We have nothing to report in this regard

#### Opinions on other matters prescribed by the Companies Act 2006

In our opinion, based on the work undertaken in the course of our audit

- the information given in the Trustees' report for the financial year for which the financial statements are prepared is consistent with the financial statements; and
- the Trustees' Report for the year ending 31 August 2023 has been prepared in accordance with applicable legal requirements

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## INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT (CONTINUED)

### TO THE TRUSTEES OF YOUTH WITH A MISSION HARPENDEN

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#### **Matters on which we are required to report by exception**

In the light of the knowledge and understanding of the charitable company and its environment obtained in the course of the audit, we have not identified material misstatements in the financial statements as on 31 August 2023 and the Trustees' report

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters in relation to which the Companies Act 2006 require us to report to you if, in our opinion:

the information given in the financial statements is inconsistent in any material respect with the Trustees' report; or

- adequate accounting records have not been kept, or returns adequate for our audit have not been received from branches not visited by us; or
- the financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records and return; or
- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit.
- the trustees were not entitled to prepare the financial statements in accordance with the small companies regime and take advantage of the small companies' exemptions in preparing the Trustees' report and from the requirement to prepare a strategic report.

#### **Responsibilities of trustees**

As explained more fully in the trustees' responsibilities statement set out on page 8, the trustees' (who are also the directors of the charitable company for the purposes of company law) are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view, and for such internal control as the trustees' determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, the trustees' are responsible for assessing the charitable company's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the trustees' either intend to liquidate the charitable company or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so

#### **Auditor responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements**

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs (UK) will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements

Irregularities, including fraud, are instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations. We design procedures in line with our responsibilities, outlined above, to detect material misstatements in respect of irregularities, including fraud. The extent to which our procedures are capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud is detailed below

Our approach was as follows

- We obtained an understanding of the legal and regulatory frameworks that are applicable to the entity.
- We communicated identified laws and regulations and potential fraud risks to all engagement team members and remained alert to any indications of fraud or non-compliance with laws and regulations throughout the audit. We examined and discussed with management any known or suspected instances of fraud or non-compliance with laws and regulations

We assessed the risks of material misstatement in respect of fraud as follows

- The audit team discussed whether there were any areas that were susceptible to misstatement as part of their fraud discussion
- In addressing the risk of management override of controls, we tested the appropriateness of journal entries with a focus on large or unusual transactions based on criteria determined using our knowledge of the organisation and industry. We also challenged assumptions and judgements made
- We incorporated an element of unpredictability in the selection of the nature, timing and extent of our audit procedures
- Based on the results of our risk assessment we designed our audit procedures to identify and to address material misstatements in relation to fraud, including bribery and non compliance.

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## INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT (CONTINUED)

### TO THE TRUSTEES OF YOUTH WITH A MISSION HARPENDEN

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Because of the inherent limitations of an audit, there is a risk that we will not detect all irregularities, including those leading to a material misstatement in the financial statements or non-compliance with regulation. This risk increases the more that compliance with a law or regulation is removed from the events and transactions reflected in the financial statements, as we will be less likely to become aware of instances of non-compliance. The risk is also greater regarding irregularities occurring due to fraud rather than error, as fraud involves intentional concealment, forgery, collusion, omission or misrepresentation

A further description of our responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements is located on the Financial Reporting Council's website at [www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities](http://www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities). This description forms part of our auditor's report

#### Use of our report

This report is made solely to the charitable company's members, as a body, in accordance with Chapter 3 of Part 16 of the Companies Act 2006. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the charitable company's members those matters we are required to state to them in an auditor's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the charitable company and the charitable company's members as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed

**Jeffrey Bor (Senior Statutory Auditor)**  
**for & on behalf of SCB (Accountants) Ltd.**  
Chartered Accountants

31 Sackville Street  
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SCB (Accountants) Ltd is eligible for appointment as auditor of the charity by virtue of its eligibility for appointment as auditor of a company under section 1212 of the Companies Act 2006.

# YOUTH WITH A MISSION HARPENDEN

## STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES INCLUDING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2023

		Unrestricted funds 2023 £	Restricted funds 2023 £	Total 2023 £	Unrestricted funds 2022 £	Restricted funds 2022 £	Total 2022 £
Notes							
<b>Income and endowments from:</b>							
Donations and legacies	2	132,061	14,396	146,457	114,144	137,440	251,584
Charitable activities	3	1,285,255	-	1,285,255	942,694	-	942,694
Other trading activities	4	129,820	-	129,820	118,895	-	118,895
Other income	5	500	-	500	-	-	-
<b>Total income</b>		<b>1,547,636</b>	<b>14,396</b>	<b>1,562,032</b>	<b>1,175,733</b>	<b>137,440</b>	<b>1,313,173</b>
Charitable activities	6	1,150,514	98,164	1,248,678	1,064,089	56,801	1,120,890
Other trading expenditure		83,363	-	83,363	86,082	-	86,082
<b>Total expenditure</b>		<b>1,233,877</b>	<b>98,164</b>	<b>1,332,041</b>	<b>1,150,171</b>	<b>56,801</b>	<b>1,206,972</b>
<b>Net income/(expenditure) and movement in funds</b>		<b>313,759</b>	<b>(83,768)</b>	<b>229,991</b>	<b>25,562</b>	<b>80,639</b>	<b>106,201</b>
<b>Reconciliation of funds:</b>							
Fund balances at 1 September 2022		312,801	88,050	400,851	287,239	7,411	294,650
<b>Fund balances at 31 August 2023</b>		<b>626,560</b>	<b>4,282</b>	<b>630,842</b>	<b>312,801</b>	<b>88,050</b>	<b>400,851</b>

The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year. All income and expenditure derive from continuing activities.

All gains and losses arising in the year have been included in the Statement of Financial Activities (SOFA). This SOFA incorporates an Income and Expenditure account as required under the Companies Act 2006

The notes on pages 25 to 37 form part of these financial statements.

# YOUTH WITH A MISSION HARPENDEN

## BALANCE SHEET


AS AT 31 AUGUST 2023


	Notes	2023 £	£	2022 £	£
<b>Fixed assets</b>					
Tangible assets	10		64,203		80,416
<b>Current assets</b>					
Debtors	12	65,809		63,264	
Cash at bank and in hand		619,095		359,566	
		684,904		422,830	
<b>Creditors: amounts falling due within one year</b>	13	114,445		99,105	
Net current assets			570,459		323,725
<b>Total assets less current liabilities</b>			634,662		404,141
<b>Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year</b>	14		(3,820)		(3,290)
<b>Net assets</b>			630,842		400,851
<b>The funds of the charity</b>					
Restricted income funds	15		4,282		88,050
Unrestricted funds	16		626,560		312,801
			630,842		400,851

The Trustees have prepared accounts in accordance with Section 398 of the Companies Act 2006 and Section 138 of the Charities Act 2011

The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 with respect to accounting records and the preparation of financial statements. These accounts have been prepared in accordance with the provisions of Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small charitable companies

The financial statements were approved by the trustees on 26.06.2024

  
John Peachey  
Chairman

  
Charles Lynn Green  
Trustee

Charity registration number 1156783

Company registration number 08807913 (England and Wales)

# YOUTH WITH A MISSION HARPENDEN

## STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2023

	Notes	2023 £	£	2022 £	£
<b>Cash flows from operating activities</b>					
Cash generated from operations	22		270,829		135,571
<b>Investing activities</b>					
Purchase of tangible fixed assets		(11,300)		(20,864)	
<b>Net cash used in investing activities</b>			(11,300)		(20,864)
<b>Net cash used in financing activities</b>			-		-
<b>Net increase in cash and cash equivalents</b>			259,529		114,707
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year			359,566		244,859
<b>Cash and cash equivalents at end of year</b>			619,095		359,566

# YOUTH WITH A MISSION HARPENDEN

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2023**

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### **1 Accounting policies**

The company is a company limited by guarantee incorporated in England and Wales. In the event of the company being wound up, the liability in respect of the guarantee is limited to £1 per member of the company

#### **1.1 Accounting convention**

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) - (Charities SORP (FRS 102), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019) and the Companies Act 2006

The Charity meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102

The financial statements are prepared in sterling, which is the functional currency of the charity. Monetary amounts in these financial statements are rounded to the nearest £.

Youth With A Mission Harpenden Limited meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy

#### **1.2 Going concern**

The Charity's Financial Statements show a net surplus of £ 229,991 for the year and free reserves of £ 566,177

The Trustees have assessed whether the use of the going concern basis is appropriate and have considered possible events or conditions that might cast significant doubt on the ability of the charity to continue as a going concern

Trustees will continue to monitor and ensure that spending is in line with income in order to maintain reserves at or above the minimum level of unrestricted expenditure as per reserve policy. The review of forecast cash flow for the 12 months from the date of approval of the financial statements, considered the relevant assumptions that underpin the forecast, the pipeline of new income and the steps that could be taken to reduce expenditure should this be necessary

Based on the information above, the Trustees have a reasonable expectation that the charity has adequate resources to continue in operation for the foreseeable future and will remain in surplus in future periods. Therefore, the trustees have adopted the going concern basis in preparing these accounts

#### **1.3 Fund accounting**

- Unrestricted funds are donations and other incoming resources receivable or generated for the objects of the charity without further specified purposes and are available as general funds.
- Designated funds are unrestricted funds earmarked by the Trustees for particular purposes
- Restricted funds are to be used for specific purposes as required by the donor.
- Direct expenditures which meets these criteria is charged against these funds including a fair allocation of support costs
- Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the financial statements.



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## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2023

### 1 Accounting policies

(Continued)

#### 1.4 Income recognition

- Voluntary income received by way of donations and gifts (non-exchange transactions) is included in full, with the associated income tax recovery under Gift Aid, in the Statement of Financial Activities (SOFA) when receivable and the SORP criteria has been met i.e. there is entitlement; its monetary value can be measured reliably and there is sufficient certainty of receipt. The value of services provided by volunteers, in the absence of a reliable measurement basis, has not been included.
- Voluntary income which is restricted to a specific purpose are shown as restricted income if the SOFA; grants that have performance related conditions are included in income only when the conditions have been met and when this is not the case they are treated as deferred income until those conditions have been met.
- Fee income relating to a contract for goods and services is recognised in full in the Statement of Financial Activities in the year in which there is entitlement and it is receivable
- Incoming resources from the sale of food and drinks, books, and other merchandises included when receivable. If it is impractical to measure the value of goods donated for resale they will be recognised as income when they are sold
- Income from investments is included when receivable. Investment income is earned through holding assets for investment purposes such as on short term bank deposit and solely comprises bank interest.
- Gifts in kind are recognised as income on receipt of the goods or services and are valued at their fair value unless it is impractical to measure this reliably. If it is impractical to measure the value of goods donated for resale they will be recognised as income when they are sold.
- Legacy income is regarded as receivable when the charity is legally entitled to it, its receipt is probable, and the amount can be measured with sufficient reliability

#### 1.5 Expenditure recognition

- Grants payable are charged in the year when the offer is conveyed to the recipient except in those cases where the offer is conditional, such grants being recognised as expenditure when the conditions attaching are fulfilled. Grants offered subject to conditions which have not been met at the year-end not accrued as expenditure.
- Certain expenditure is directly attributable to specific activities and has been included in those cost headings. Costs of raising funds are allocated according to the number of volunteers involved with each activity
- Costs of raising funds are those costs incurred in attracting voluntary income.
- Charitable activities include expenditure associated with the charity's charitable activities and include both the direct costs and support costs, including governance costs, relating to these activities.
- Governance costs are included in support costs, and are those costs incurred in the governance of the charity and its assets and are primarily associated with constitutional and statutory requirements.
- Irrecoverable VAT is charged as an expense against the activity for which expenditure arose

#### 1.6 Tangible fixed assets

Tangible fixed assets are carried at cost, net of depreciation and any provision for impairment. Depreciation is provided at rates calculated to write off the cost of fixed assets, less their estimated residual value, over their expected useful lives on the following basis: It is the policy of the trustees to capitalise items in excess of £5,000

- Any impairment losses are assessed and recognised as expenditure in the SOFA
- Tangible fixed assets are stated at cost less depreciation. Depreciation is provided at rates calculated to write off the cost less estimated residual value of each asset over its expected useful life, as follows
- Fixtures, fittings & office equipment – Over 5 years straight line
- Motor vehicles Straight Line - Over 4 years straight line

#### 1.7 Investments

In the financial statements investments in subsidiary undertakings are stated at cost. The carrying amount is subject to an impairment review by the Trustees at the end of each accounting period

#### 1.8 Interest receivable

Interest on funds held on deposit is included when receivable and the amount can be measured reliably by the company; this is normally upon notification of the interest paid or payable by the Bank

# YOUTH WITH A MISSION HARPENDEN

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2023

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### 1 Accounting policies

(Continued)

#### 1.9 Cash and cash equivalents

Cash at bank and in hand includes cash and short term highly liquid investments with a short maturity of three months or less from the date of acquisition or opening of the deposit or similar account

#### 1.10 Debtors

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

#### 1.11 Taxation

The charity is an exempt from UK taxation under section 505 of the Income and Corporation Taxes Act 1988

#### 1.12 Creditors & Provisions

Liabilities are recognised when there is an obligation at the Balance sheet date as a result of a past event, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefit will be required in settlement, and the amount of the settlement can be estimated reliably. Liabilities are recognised at the amount that the company anticipates it will pay to settle the debt or the amount it has received as advanced payments for the goods or services it must provide. Provisions are measured at the best estimate of the amounts required to settle the obligation

#### 1.13 Operating leases

Rentals applicable to operating leases where substantially all the benefits and risks of ownership remain with the lessor are recognised as expenses on a straight-line basis over the period of the lease

#### 1.14 Critical Judgement in applying the charitable company's accounting policy

In the application of the charity's accounting policies, the directors are required to make judgments, estimates, and assumptions about the carrying amount of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. The estimates and associated assumptions are based on historical experience and other factors that are considered to be relevant. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

The estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognized in the period in which the estimate is revised where the revision affects only that period, or in the period of the revision and future periods where the revision affects both current and future periods.

# YOUTH WITH A MISSION HARPENDEN

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2023

### 2 Income from donations and legacies

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total	Total
	2023 £	2023 £	2023 £	2022 £
General Donations and gifts	81,980	-	81,980	56,249
<b>Supporting overseas work:</b>				
Refugee		14,396	14,396	137,440
<b>Supporting communities:</b>				
Designated to supporting communities	28,775	-	28,775	29,046
Orphans Know More ministry	20,929	-	20,929	26,528
<b>Others</b>				
Designated to pioneering YWAM location	377	-	377	2,321
	<u>132,061</u>	<u>14,396</u>	<u>146,457</u>	<u>251,584</u>

# YOUTH WITH A MISSION HARPENDEN

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2023

### 3 Income from charitable activities

	Unrestricted funds 2023 £	Total 2023 £	Unrestricted funds 2022 £
<b>Training:</b>			
Discipleship Training School	247,684	247,684	197,290
Hospitality, catering & events	125,824	125,824	-
Other training programs	20,168	20,168	21,766
<b>Supporting communities:</b>			
Other ministries & projects	149,390	149,390	48,662
Hospitality, catering & events	167,896	167,896	123,437
Orphans Know More ministry	6,834	6,834	6,429
<b>Pioneering YWAM locations:</b>			
Bristol, Redruth and St Albans	65,337	65,337	96,975
Other locations	30,523	30,523	7,968
<b>Supporting overseas work:</b>			
Projects in Uganda	1,208	1,208	18,950
<b>Creating a missional community:</b>			
Volunteers housing contributions	337,479	337,479	299,962
RHI Repayment	42,510	42,510	52,047
Hospitality, catering & events	8,263	8,263	12,520
Spare space usage contributions	82,139	82,139	56,688
	<u>1,285,255</u>	<u>1,285,255</u>	<u>942,694</u>

\* RHI Repayment: Renewable Heat Incentive (RHI) rebate based on the amount of heat produced from burning woodchip instead of natural gas

The charity benefits greatly from the support and involvement of its many volunteers and supporters. In accordance with FRS 102 and the Charities SORP (FRS 102), the economic contribution of general volunteers is not recognised in the accounts.

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### 4 Income from other trading activities

	Unrestricted funds 2023 £	Total 2023 £	Total 2022 £
The Oval Café	129,820	129,820	118,895
	<u>129,820</u>	<u>129,820</u>	<u>118,895</u>
<b>Expenditure from other trading activities</b>			
The Oval Café	83,363	83,363	86,082
	<u>46,457</u>	<u>46,457</u>	<u>32,813</u>

The Oval Café is trading under Highfield Oval Limited (a 100% owned subsidiary of the charity). Its operating profit is transferred 100% back to the charity by the end of each financial year.

### 5 Other income

	Unrestricted funds 2023 £	Unrestricted funds 2022 £
Other income (Assets Disposal Gain)	500	-
	<u>500</u>	<u>-</u>

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### 6 Expenditure on charitable activities

	Total 2023 £	Total 2022 £
<b>Training</b>		
Discipleship Training School	172,570	117,386
English & Cultural Orientation School	20,656	1,254
Other training programs	6,091	4,246
Training centre management and admin	1,624	3,896
<b>Supporting communities</b>		
Designated to supporting community	10,033	20,565
Other ministries & projects	68,460	23,020
Hospitality, catering & events	112,284	67,123
Orphans Know More ministry	38,026	77,273
<b>Pioneering YWAM locations</b>		
Bristol, Redruth and St Albans	65,952	99,058
Other locations	4,795	8,242
<b>Supporting overseas work</b>		
Refugee	98,164	56,801
Projects in Uganda	9,351	17,811
<b>Creating a missional community</b>		
Depreciation and impairment	27,514	21,834
Site development	(5,000)	86,632
Base vehicles	17,567	8,291
Buildings and ground property services	186,795	114,335
Biomass boiler woodchip cost	81,553	113,307
Utilities	98,034	74,660
Site occupant contribution	106,226	106,226
Council tax	33,661	26,822
Information technology	11,323	13,862
Communication	7,779	6,405
General management and admin	48,470	35,091
Volunteers' development & care	6,286	2,028
	<u>1,228,214</u>	<u>1,106,168</u>
<b>Governance costs</b>		
Auditors remuneration	14,904	10,800
Accountancy services	5,560	3,922
	<u>1,248,678</u>	<u>1,120,890</u>
<b>Analysis by fund</b>		
Unrestricted funds	1,150,514	1,064,089
Restricted funds	98,164	56,801
	<u>1,248,678</u>	<u>1,120,890</u>

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#### 7 Analysis of volunteers' costs, trustee remuneration and expenses, and the cost of key management personnel

The charity relies entirely on the contributions of unpaid volunteers to carry out its activities but placing a monetary value on their contribution is impractical and cannot be measured reliably for accounting purposes. Therefore, this contribution is not included in the charity's accounts. The Charity has no employees

The charity trustees were not paid salary or received any other benefits for performing the duties. However, the trustees are reimbursed for legitimate costs that the trustees have had to meet personally to carry out their duties.

8	Net movement in funds	2023 £	2022 £
	The net movement in funds is stated after charging/(crediting)		
	Depreciation of owned tangible fixed assets	27,514	21,834

#### 9 Taxation

The Charity is an exempt charity within the meaning of schedule 3 of the Charities Act 2011 and is considered to pass the tests set out in Paragraph 1 Schedule 6 Finance Act 2010 and therefore it meets the definition of a charitable company for UK corporation tax purposes

#### 10 Tangible fixed assets

	Fixtures & fittings £	Machinery & Motor Vehicles £	Total £
<b>Cost</b>			
At 1 September 2022	120,947	22,135	143,082
Additions	-	11,300	11,300
Disposals	(6,812)	(6,234)	(13,046)
At 31 August 2023	114,135	27,201	141,336
<b>Depreciation and impairment</b>			
At 1 September 2022	50,338	12,327	62,665
Depreciation charged in the year	22,827	4,687	27,514
Eliminated in respect of disposals	(6,812)	(6,234)	(13,046)
At 31 August 2023	66,353	10,780	77,133
<b>Carrying amount</b>			
At 31 August 2023	47,782	16,421	64,203
At 31 August 2022	70,608	9,808	80,416

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### 11 Fixed asset investments

The company's investment at the Balance Sheet date comprises of the following investment

<b>Highfield Oval Limited</b>	
Company number	12101579
Registered in:	England & Wales
Class of Shares	Ordinary
Shareholding	100%
Net Asset:	£1
Profit per account at 31 <sup>st</sup> August 2023	£Nil

The company was incorporated on 13<sup>th</sup> July 2019 started trading on 1<sup>st</sup> January 2020. Aggregate capital and reserves £1 (2022: £1)

### 12 Debtors

	Charity 2023 £	Charity 2022 £	Group 2023 £	Group 2022 £
<b>Amounts falling due within one year:</b>				
Trade debtors	46,093	36,914	48,343	40,930
Other Receivable - Tax refund/ Gift Aid	1,235	6,096	1,235	6,096
Other debtors	-	5,000	-	5,000
Prepayments	16,231	11,238	16,231	11,238
	<u>63,559</u>	<u>59,248</u>	<u>65,809</u>	<u>63,264</u>

### 13 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	Charity 2023 £	Charity 2022 £	Group 2023 £	Group 2022 £
Trade creditors	29,254	15,281	31,838	16,198
Other Creditors - YWAM Ltd	-	7,000	-	7,000
Other creditors	4,268	6,840	10,239	15,530
Accruals and deferred income	65,525	55,337	72,368	60,377
	<u>99,047</u>	<u>84,458</u>	<u>114,445</u>	<u>99,105</u>

### 14 Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year

	Charity 2023 £	Charity 2022 £	Group 2023 £	Group 2022 £
Housing Deposit	3,820	3,290	3,820	3,290
	<u>3,820</u>	<u>3,290</u>	<u>3,820</u>	<u>3,290</u>



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#### 15 Restricted funds

The restricted funds of the charity comprise the unexpended balances of donations and grants held on trust subject to specific conditions by donors as to how they may be used.

	At 1 September 2022 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	At 31 August 2023 £
Refugee	88,050	14,396	(98,164)	4,282
	<u>88,050</u>	<u>14,396</u>	<u>(98,164)</u>	<u>4,282</u>
<b>Previous year:</b>	<b>At 1 September 2021 £</b>	<b>Incoming resources £</b>	<b>Resources expended £</b>	<b>At 31 August 2022 £</b>
Refugee	7,411	137,440	(56,801)	88,050
	<u>7,411</u>	<u>137,440</u>	<u>(56,801)</u>	<u>88,050</u>

#### Description, nature & purpose of restricted funds:

The Refugee fund is for projects focusing on refugees in Europe and the Middle East

See page 12 under "Supporting Overseas Work" for more details about the two restricted funds

#### 16 Unrestricted funds

The unrestricted funds of the charity comprise the unexpended balances of donations and grants which are not subject to specific conditions by donors and grantors as to how they may be used. These include designated funds which have been set aside out of unrestricted funds by the trustees for specific purposes

	At 1 September 2022 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Transfers £	Gains and losses £	At 31 August 2023 £
<b>Designated Fund</b>						
Ministries and projects	152,426	221,171	(128,258)	1,914	-	247,253
The Oval Café	6,569	129,820	(83,363)	(43,049)	-	9,977
Hospitality, catering and events	5,780	168,017	(112,702)	(53,702)	-	7,393
Training	3,075	393,932	(200,941)	(186,698)	-	9,368
Other YWAM locations	20,763	80,216	(70,747)	(1,000)	-	29,232
Assets	80,417	-	(27,514)	11,300	-	64,203
<b>Total Designated fund</b>	<u>269,030</u>	<u>993,156</u>	<u>623,525</u>	<u>(271,235)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>367,426</u>
<b>General fund</b>						
General fund	43,771	554,480	(610,352)	271,235	-	259,134
<b>Total Unrestricted Funds</b>	<u>312,801</u>	<u>1,547,636</u>	<u>(1,233,877)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>626,560</u>

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### 16 Unrestricted funds

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Previous year:	At 1 September 2021 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Transfers £	Gains and losses £	At 31 August 2022 £
<b>Designated Fund</b>						
Ministries and projects	161,480	129,613	(138,667)	-	-	152,426
The Oval Café	6,169	400	-	-	-	6,569
Hospitality, catering and events	1,474	123,710	(67,123)	(52,281)	-	5,780
Trainings	4,763	219,304	(126,781)	(94,211)	-	3,075
Other YWAM location	21,824	106,239	(107,300)	-	-	20,763
Assets	81,387	-	(21,834)	20,864	-	80,417
<b>Total Designated fund</b>	<b>277,097</b>	<b>579,266</b>	<b>(461,705)</b>	<b>(125,628)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>269,030</b>
<b>General Fund</b>						
General fund	10,142	596,467	(688,466)	125,628	-	43,771
<b>Total Unrestricted Funds</b>	<b>287,239</b>	<b>1,175,733</b>	<b>(1,150,171)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>312,801</b>

The General fund is an unrestricted undesignated fund which can be used for operating activities, including contributions towards administration costs

#### Description, nature & purpose of designated funds:

The Designated funds are unrestricted funds earmarked by the Trustees for the following purposes

- **Ministries and projects:** for charitable activities focus on meeting missional needs in Harpenden and surrounding communities and overseas. See objectives and activities description of Supporting Communities and Supporting Overseas Work on page 5-9
- **The Oval Café:** to provide working capital, also fund for equipment purchases and maintenance of the café
- **Hospitality, catering and events:** for hosting social events and activities that will benefit the local Harpenden community, to provide working capital for the hospitality and kitchen teams.
- **Training:** to provide working capital, scholarship fund for various schools and training programmes
- **Other YWAM locations:** for charitable activities at other operational locations (Bristol, Redruth and St Albans)
- **Assets:** is currently identifying the net asset value of vehicles and equipments owned by YWAM Harpenden

### 17 Analysis of net assets between funds

	Unrestricted funds 2023 £	Restricted funds 2023 £	Total 2023 £
<b>Fund balances at 31 August 2023 are represented by:</b>			
Tangible assets	64,203	-	64,203
Current assets/(liabilities)	566,177	4,282	570,459
Long term liabilities	(3,820)	-	(3,820)
	<b>626,560</b>	<b>4,282</b>	<b>630,842</b>

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### 17 Analysis of net assets between funds

(Continued)

	Unrestricted funds 2022 £	Restricted funds 2022 £	Total 2022 £
<b>Fund balances at 31 August 2022 are represented by:</b>			
Tangible assets	80,416	-	80,416
Current assets/(liabilities)	235,675	88,050	323,725
Long term liabilities	(3,290)	-	(3,290)
	<u>312,801</u>	<u>88,050</u>	<u>400,851</u>

### 18 Operating lease commitments

#### Commitments under operating leases

Total future minimum lease payments under non-cancellable operating leases.

	2023 £	2022 £
Rental property - expiring in less than 1 year	<u>1,000</u>	<u>1,000</u>

The lease was for 5 months from 22 Mar 2022 (followed by a 1 month rolling contract)

### 19 Share Capital

The company is limited by guarantee and does not have a share capital divided by shares

### 20 Related party transactions

During the year, rental income received from Highfield Oval Limited was £14,456 (2022: £14,456)

### 21 Ultimate Controlling Party

For the whole of the year, the charity was under the control of the Directors and Trustees as shown under legal and administrative information page

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22	Cash generated from operations	2023 £	2022 £
	Surplus for the year	229,991	106,201
	Adjustments for		
	Depreciation and impairment of tangible fixed assets	27,514	21,834
	Movements in working capital		
	(Increase) in debtors	(2,545)	(63,464)
	Increase in creditors	15,869	102,395
	<b>Cash generated from operations</b>	<u>270,829</u>	<u>135,571</u>