



# WYMONDHAM YOUTH BUS

Registered Charity: 1156941

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## Annual Report & Financial Statements 2022

The Trustees of Wymondham Youth Bus are pleased to present the annual report and financial statements for 2022.

### Trustees for the financial year 2022

Daniel Doran-Smith  
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The Charity is fully led and run by volunteers and currently has no employees.

### Changes to constitution

Following discussion with the Trustee Board, and subsequent approval by the Charity Commission, the constitution was amended on 24th November 2022. This change included amending the objects area of benefit to include Norfolk and Suffolk.

The objects in our constitution are now:

To act as a resource for young people, in particular aged 13 to 18 living in Norfolk and Suffolk by providing advice and assistance and organising programmes of physical, educational and other activities as a means of:-

- A. Advancing in life and helping young people by developing their skills, capacities and capabilities to enable them to participate in society as independent, mature and responsible individuals;
- B. Advancing education;
- C. Relieving unemployment;
- D. Preserving and protecting their good health
- E. Providing recreational and leisure time activities provided in the interest of social welfare, designed to improve their conditions of life.

## **Delivery**

Throughout 2022 we have continued our delivery of engagement programmes, known as 'Fusion', from the double decker bus engaging with young people, families and local communities through sessional based activities and community events.

We delivered our main sessions in the period after school and evenings and offered games (including consoles), arts based projects, a smoothie bar encouraging healthy eating, and the opportunity for young people to get together with their peers.

The emotional impact and the lack of social contact for children and young people during the pandemic meant that for a couple of years they attended limited recreational opportunities which are so important for their social and emotional development. We know the importance of support outside of a family and school environment and our youth work programmes help to meet some of the deficits in social opportunities that young people have experienced. The comments received from young people and families we have engaged with through the Fusion project has been very supportive of the work and the project and so many express how excited they are to come. One young person recently said *"I get really excited about coming, I've missed being with my friends."*

Recognising the impact that many families faced in 2022 because of the cost of living crisis and the increasing numbers suffering from food poverty during the school holidays as part of our Fusion projects we also provided packed lunches to children and young people. Families were so appreciative of the help with lunches many sharing how difficult the holidays are for them, particularly if they have more than one child at home. One Mum shared with us that providing for her 5 children during the school holidays has become more and more difficult and they now have less options to give their children because they can't afford much.

Throughout our delivery this year we have engaged with hundreds of young people and their families. The uniqueness of our work is being able to 'pop-up' provision in the heart of communities and not be reliant on a community building to engage with young people and provide constructive activities.

## **Fundraising**

We continued to fundraise through grant applications to raise funds to support the work of WYB - in the early part of 2023 this included a range of approaches to request support from previous funders.

Trustees would like to express thanks to all the funders, both local and national, who gave grants towards our delivery in 2022.

## **Future plans**

We've been delighted as to how the bus is meeting the needs of local communities and how it's served as a vehicle to connect with not only young people, but families and parents. One has recently offered to volunteer as part of the team as they can see the benefit it has on not only their children, but society at large.

The future therefore looks quite exciting, we are exploring more opportunities to connect with new geographical areas and have recruited another bus driver, which enables us to be out and about more often.

Working with a local youth group and professional street artist we've settled on an excellent new, bespoke paint job on the bus which will give a greater aesthetic impact to all those who see it. This has been an example of how collaboration and creativity is at the heart of all WYB provision.

## Financial Statements for 2022

Accounts are prepared on a cash payment and receipts basis to 31<sup>st</sup> December year end.

<b>Income</b>	<b>2022</b>		<b>2021</b>
Donations			
Fundraising			
Tuck shop sales			
other			
Grants	£ 2,500.00		£ 9,050.00
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>£ 2,500.00</b>		<b>£ 9,050.00</b>
<b>Expenditure</b>	<b>2022</b>		<b>2021</b>
Fuel	£ 779.10		£ 223.45
Equipment			£ 106.97
Insurance	£ 2,110.68		£ 2,027.87
Maintenance	£ 1,733.73		£ 3,336.25
Services/Memberships	£ 30.00		£ 30.00
Refreshments			
Vehicle costs	£ 295.00		£ 280.00
Other	£ 171.44		£ 208.96
<b>Total expenditure</b>	<b>£ 5,119.95</b>		<b>£ 6,213.50</b>
<b>Balance</b>	<b>-£ 2,619.95</b>		<b>£ 2,836.50</b>
<b>Opening balances</b>	<b>2022</b>		<b>2021</b>
Bank	£ 13,773.87		£ 10,937.37
Cash			
<b>Total</b>	<b>£ 13,773.87</b>		<b>£ 10,937.37</b>
<b>Closing balances</b>	<b>2022</b>		<b>2021</b>
Bank	£ 11,153.92		£ 13,773.87
Cash			£ -
<b>Total</b>	<b>£ 11,153.92</b>		<b>£ 13,773.87</b>
<b>Monetary assets</b>	<b>2022</b>		<b>2021</b>
Bank account	£ 11,153.92		£ 13,773.87
Cash			£ -
<b>Total</b>	<b>£ 11,153.92</b>		<b>£ 13,773.87</b>
<b>Fixed asset</b>	<b>2022</b>		<b>2021</b>
Bus	£ 9,831.64		£ 13,108.85
Depreciation	£ 2,457.91		£ 3,277.21
<b>Total</b>	<b>£ 7,373.73</b>		<b>£ 9,831.64</b>