

BENSHAM & SALTWELL ALIVE

England & Wales - Charity number 1157255

Details

Status Registered

Legal form CIO

Registered 2014-05-30

Register [View on the Charity Commission register](#)

Contact

Address 108 Rawling Road
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Activities

Objects: TO DEVELOP THE CAPACITY AND SKILLS OF THE MEMBERS OF THE SOCIALLY AND ECONOMICALLY DISADVANTAGED COMMUNITY OF BENSHAM AND SALTWELL IN GATESHEAD IN SUCH A WAY THAT THEY ARE BETTER ABLE TO IDENTIFY AND HELP MEET THEIR NEEDS AND TO PARTICIPATE MORE FULLY IN SOCIETY.

Activities: BS Alive is active in the Bensham and Saltwell wards of Gateshead (although not exclusive to this area) to support work to improve health & social well being in the area. BS Alive includes all residents, from all backgrounds. It provides a range of support including advice, networking & fundraising as well as directly organising some activities - lunch clubs & social activities, volunteering etc

Classification

- **How:** Makes Grants To Organisations, Provides Other Finance, Provides Human Resources, Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space, Provides Advocacy/advice/information, Acts As An Umbrella Or Resource Body
- **What:** Other Charitable Purposes
- **Who:** Other Defined Groups

Geography

- Gateshead

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£28,224	£29,115	-	-
2024-03-31	£81,303	£78,042	-	-
2023-03-31	£79,777	£104,261	-	-
2022-03-31	£107,797	£105,968	-	-
2021-03-31	£131,286	£131,193	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
COUNCILLOR CATHERINE DONOVAN		2013-11-13
Callum McPake		2022-02-25
EILEEN MCMASTER		2013-11-13
Hugo Simeon Fearnley		2022-04-01
Philip Donovan		2023-09-29

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REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

For the year ended 31 March 2025

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ANNUAL REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT

For the year ended 31 March 2025

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The financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2022, the Memorandum and Articles of Association, 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 October 2019).

1. Objectives and Activities

The objectives of the Charity are to develop the capacity and skills of the members of the socially and economically disadvantaged community of Bensham and Saltwell in Gateshead in such a way that they are better able to identify and help meet their needs and to participate more fully in society.

- Continued to support the work of local foods cooperatives.
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The charity regularly reviews its objectives and performance. During the year to March 24, issues with the lease at 108 Rawling Road resulted in some funding opportunities having been declined or voluntarily returned to the funder. The charity continues to be financially stable, due to spending reducing in 23/24 and this has continued into 24/25 and 25/26 to date.

3. Regards to Public Benefit

When exercising any powers or duties in the running of Bensham and Saltwell Alive, the Trustees have complied with their duty to have due regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit.

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

Charity Name	Bensham and Saltwell Alive	
Registered Charity Number	1157255	
Operational address	108 Rawling Road Gateshead NE8 4QR	
Trustees	Eileen McMaster Callum McPake Catherine Donovan Hugo Fearnley	
Independent Examiner	Connected Voice Business Services Limited One Strawberry Lane Newcastle upon Tyne NE1 4BX	
Bankers	Lloyds Bank 25 Gresham Street London	

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5. Structure, Governance and Management

Governing documents

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Organisation

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Risk management

The Trustees have assessed the risks to which the charitable company is exposed, in particular those related to the operations and finances of the charitable company and are satisfied that systems and procedures are in place to mitigate any risk.

Method of Recruitment of Trustees

The responsibilities of trustees are explained to potential new members who are invited to submit a written expression of interest. This contains a statement about their relevant skills and experience and reasons for wanting to be a trustee. The trustees consider the statement at a meeting of the board of trustees. The position of Chair and other officers is agreed by members.

Policies adopted for the induction and training of Trustees

Bensham and Saltwell Alive has adopted a range of appropriate policies to govern the conduct of its Trustees and any activities associated with the charity.

The Secretary provides new trustees with the Charity Commission Welcome Pack and supplementary materials specific to role as officers, if appropriate. Trustees have one or more Trustee Development Sessions each year, led by an external facilitator.

6. Financial Review

Bensham and Saltwell Alive is primarily funded by grants. The total receipts for the year were £28,224 (2024: £81,303) of which £28,224 is restricted (2024: £77,503) and payments £29,115 (2024: £78,042) of which £29,090 is restricted (2024: £74,494).

The Statement of Receipts and Payments for the year ended 31 March 2025, shows a deficit of £891 (2024: surplus of £3,261) of which a deficit of £866 is restricted (2024: surplus of £3,009)

The Statement of Assets and Liabilities at 31 March 2025 shows total cash fund carried forward of £18,406 (2024: £19,297) of which £16,012 is restricted (2024: £16,878)

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TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT

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7. Statement of Trustee Responsibilities

The charity trustees are responsible for preparing a trustees' annual report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

The charity trustees are required to prepare financial statements for each year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company and of incoming resources and application of resources. In preparing financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- Select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently.
- Observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP.
- Make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent.
- State whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements.
- 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 proper accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity. 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.

Approved by the Trustees on 30.01.2026 and signed on their behalf by:

Callum McPake - Trustee and Treasurer.

BENSHAM AND SALTWELL ALIVE

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES

For the year ended 31 March 2025

I report on the financial statements of Bensham and Saltwell Alive for the year ended 31 March 2025, which are set out on pages 5 to 11.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144 of the Charities Act 2022 ("the Charities Act") and that an independent examination is needed.

Having satisfied myself that the charity is not subject to audit under company law and is eligible for independent examination, it is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act,
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act), and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's statement

My examination was carried out in accordance with general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from the trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair view' and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no material matters have come to my attention which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a "true and fair" view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

However, not all future events or conditions can be predicted. The COVID-19 viral pandemic is one of the most significant economic events for the UK with unprecedented levels of uncertainty of outcomes. It is therefore difficult to evaluate all of the potential implications on the charitable company's trade, customers, suppliers and wider economy. The trustees' view on the impact of COVID-19 is disclosed in the accounting

I have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Doug Maltman FMAAT
Fellow Member of the Association of Accountancy Technicians
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Date: 30.01.2026

BENSHAM AND SALTWELL ALIVE
RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT
For the year ended 31 March 2025

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2025 £	Total 2024 £
<u>Receipts</u>					
Donations and grants	3	-	28,224	28,224	81,303
Total income		-	28,224	28,224	81,303
<u>Payments</u>					
Charitable activities					
Operation of the charity	4	25	29,090	29,115	78,042
Total expenditure		25	29,090	29,115	78,042
Net income/(expenditure)		(25)	(866)	(891)	3,261
<u>Reconciliation of funds</u>					
Total funds brought forward		2,419	16,878	19,297	16,036
Total funds carried forward		2,394	16,012	18,406	19,297

The Statement of Financial Activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year. All income and expenditure derive from continuing activities

The notes on pages 7 to 11 form an integral part of these accounts.

STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

As at 31 March 2025

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2025 £	Total 2024 £
<u>Cash funds</u>					
Cash at bank		2,379	16,012	18,391	19,282
Cash in hand		15	-	15	15
		2,394	16,012	18,406	19,297
<u>Assets</u>					
Gateshead Council - Corpus Christie				-	10,700
				-	10,700
<u>Assets in use</u>					
Cinema equipment				533	533
				533	533
<u>Liabilities</u>					
Accountancy and independent examination				756	732
Grants to be refunded				-	10,705
				-	11,437

The notes on pages 7 to 11 form an integral part of these accounts.

These financial statements were approved by the Board on:

30.01.2026

and are signed on its behalf by:

Callum McPake
Trustee and Treasurer

BENSHAM AND SALTWELL ALIVE

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

For the year ended 31 March 2025

1 Accounting Policies

The accounts have been prepared on the receipts and payments basis. An audit is not required by the charity's constitution and has not been requested by the trustees.

2 Preparation of the accounts on a going concern basis

The financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis. The Trustees have reviewed and considered relevant information, including the annual budget and future cash flows in making their assessment. The Trustees have concluded that they can continue to adopt the going concern basis in preparing the annual report and accounts.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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Analysis of receipts

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2025 £	Total 2024 £
3 Donations and grants				
Grants				
Gateshead Council - Bensham Court Food CO-OP	-	-	-	10,500
Gateshead Council - Corpus Christie Food CO-OP	-	10,700	10,700	10,000
Northumbria Police and Crime Commissioner	-	-	-	2,000
Awards for All	-	-	-	9,705
Lobley Hill Primary School	-	-	-	1,200
NTCA	-	-	-	1,600
HSF	-	-	-	500
Personal Hygiene Match Funding	-	-	-	500
Gateshead Council - Resilience and Growth	-	-	-	6,000
Access Reach Fund	-	-	-	14,901
Gateshead Council - 108 Rawlings Road	-	12,000	12,000	23,397
Tesco Community Fund	-	-	-	1,000
Other receipts				
Other income	-	5,524	5,524	-
	<u>-</u>	<u>28,224</u>	<u>28,224</u>	<u>81,303</u>

Income was £28,224 (2024: £81,303) of which £0 was unrestricted or designated (2024: £3,800) and £28,224 was restricted (2024: £77,503)

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Analysis of payments on charitable activities

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2025 £	Total 2024 £
4 Charitable payments				
<u>Direct costs</u>				
Direct Project costs	-	7,408	7,408	36,969
Sundry Project costs	-	-	-	588
<u>Support costs</u>				
Premises	-	6,000	6,000	13,380
Premises - Building maintenance	25	3,049	3,074	3,576
Premises - Electricity	-	843	843	2,441
Premises - Gas	-	353	353	5,748
Premises - Waste Collections	-	-	-	264
Support costs	-	-	-	8,185
Support costs - IT software	-	-	-	173
Grant refunds:				
Northumbria PCC	-	-	-	2,000
HSF	-	-	-	3,510
National Lottery	-	9,705	9,705	-
TESCO Community Foundation	-	1,000	1,000	-
<u>Governance costs</u>				
Independent examiner's fees for reporting on the accounts	-	732	732	708
Legal fees	-	-	-	500
	<u>25</u>	<u>29,090</u>	<u>29,115</u>	<u>78,042</u>

Expenditure on charitable activities was £29,115 (2024: £78,042) of which £25 was unrestricted or designated (2024: £3,548) and £29,090 was restricted (2024: £74,494)

5 Fees for examination of the accounts

	2025 £	2024 £
Independent examiner's fees for reporting on the accounts	732	708
	732	708

There were no other fees paid to the examiner (2024: £nil).

6 Analysis of staff costs and the cost of key management personnel

The charity currently does not employ staff as it subcontracts the development of the charity to a consultant. No employee received remuneration above £60,000 (2024: nil).

The key management personnel of the charity, comprise the trustees and the charity manager. The total employee benefits of the key management personnel of the charity were £nil, (2024: £nil).

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7 Transactions with trustees

None of the trustees have been paid any remuneration or received any other benefits from an employment with their charity or a related entity.

Trustees' expenses

No trustee expenses have been incurred in the year.

Transaction(s) with related parties

As detailed in note 6, the charity does not employ staff and as a result subcontracts the development of the charity to a consultant. Consultancy is conducted through a firm operated by a trustee and their spouse. The total expenditure due to consulting is £nil (2024: £nil) paid for the work carried out in the period. The rate that of which consultancy is charged is of non market activity for the firm, at a reduced rate of 35% of the actual rate chargeable. But is within the acceptable market activity of the wider market. All trustees are in agreement of this process to continue.

8 Corporation Taxation

The charity is exempt from tax on income and gains falling within section 505 of the Taxes Act 1988 or section 252 of the Taxation of Chargeable Gains Act 1992 to the extent that these are applied to its charitable objectives.

9 Events after the end of the reporting period

No events (not requiring adjustment to the accounts) have occurred after the end of the reporting period but before the accounts are authorised which relate to conditions that arose after the end of the reporting period.

10 Analysis of charitable funds

Analysis of movements in unrestricted funds

For the year ended 31 March 2025

	Fund balances brought forward £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Transfers £	Fund balances carried forward £
Unrestricted funds					
General unrestricted fund	419	-	(25)	-	394
Designated funds					
Redundancy	2,000	-	-	-	2,000
Totals	2,419	-	(25)	-	2,394

Purpose of unrestricted funds

General unrestricted fund

The 'free reserves' of the charity

Designated funds:

 Redundancy

Funds to cover potential loss of income.

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Analysis of charitable funds

Analysis of movement in restricted funds

For the year ended 31 March 2025

	Fund balances brought forward £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Transfers £	Fund balances carried forward £
Restricted funds					
108 Rawlings Road	8,350	12,000	(10,450)	-	9,900
Gateshead Council - Corpus Christie Food CO-OP	(5,787)	10,700	(4,906)	-	7
Gateshead Council - Resilience and Growth	1,669	5,524	(3,029)	-	4,164
Access Reach Fund	1,941	-	-	-	1,941
Tesco Community Fund	1,000	-	(1,000)	-	-
Awards for All	9,705	-	(9,705)	-	-
Totals	16,878	28,224	(29,090)	-	16,012

Purpose of restricted funds

Restricted funds represent income resources used for a specific purpose within the charity as identified by the donor.

108 Rawlings Road	Renovation of kitchen at 108 Rawlings Road.
Gateshead Council - Corpus Christie Food CO-OP	Corpus Christiti Food Coop.
Gateshead Council - Resilience and Growth	Funding to support community consultations.
Access Reach Fund	Held for Gateshead Active - Re-opening of Gateshead Leisure Centre.
Tesco Community Fund	Youth Work Sessions.
Awards for All	Health Project including mental health staffing.

Gateshead Council - Corpus Christie received £10,700 further funding in April 2024.

12 Guarantee

There have been no guarantees given by the charity at 31 March 2025.

13 Debt

There is no debt outstanding which is owed by the charity and which is secured by an excess charge on any of the assets of the charity at 31 March 2025.

14 Governing document

The organisation is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation - Foundation registered on 30 May 2014 as a body corporate under part 11 of the Charities Act 2022.

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Trustees	Robert Waugh Eileen McMaster Callum McPake Catherine Donovan Hugo Fearnley Philip Donovan	Chair Vice Chair Treasurer Appointed September 2023
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The Statement of Receipts and Payments for the year ended 31 March 2024, shows a surplus of £3,261 (2023: deficit of £24,484) of which a surplus of £3,009 is restricted (2023: deficit of £8,204)

The Statement of Assets and Liabilities at 31 March 2024 shows total cash fund carried forward of £19,297 (2023: £16,036) of which £16,878 is restricted (2023: £13,869)

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Date: 23.01.2025

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RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT
For the year ended 31 March 2024

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2024 £	Total 2023 £
<u>Receipts</u>					
Donations and grants	3	3,800	77,503	81,303	79,777
Total income		3,800	77,503	81,303	79,777
<u>Payments</u>					
Charitable activities					
Operation of the charity	4	3,548	74,494	78,042	104,261
Total expenditure		3,548	74,494	78,042	104,261
Net income/(expenditure)		252	3,009	3,261	(24,484)
<u>Reconciliation of funds</u>					
Total funds brought forward		2,167	13,869	16,036	40,520
Total funds carried forward		2,419	16,878	19,297	16,036

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STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

As at 31 March 2024

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2024 £	Total 2023 £
<u>Cash funds</u>					
Cash at bank		2,404	16,878	19,282	15,962
Cash in hand		15	-	15	74
		2,419	16,878	19,297	16,036
<u>Assets</u>					
Gateshead Council - Corpus Christie		-	10,700	10,700	-
		-	10,700	10,700	-
<u>Fixed assets</u>					
Cinema equipment		533	-	533	533
		533	-	533	533
<u>Liabilities</u>					
Accountancy and independent examination				732	708
Grants to be refunded				10,705	-
				10,705	708

The notes on pages 7 to 14 form an integral part of these accounts.

These financial statements were approved by the Board on:

23.01.2025

and are signed on its behalf by:

Callum McPake
Trustee

BENSHAM AND SALTWELL ALIVE

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

For the year ended 31 March 2024

1 Accounting Policies

The accounts have been prepared on the receipts and payments basis. An audit is not required by the charity's constitution and has not been requested by the trustees.

2 Basis of accounting

2.1 Basis of preparation

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

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with 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 October 2019) – Charities SORP (FRS 102), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Charities Act 2022.

Bensham and Saltwell Alive meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102.

2.2 Preparation of the accounts on a going concern basis

The charity reported total unrestricted funds at the year end of £2,419 and has already secured a significant amount of funding for the current year. The trustees are of the view that the immediate future of the charity for the next 12 to 18 months is secure and that on this basis the charity is a going

3 Income

3.1 Recognition of income

Income is recognised when the charity has entitlement to the resources, any performance conditions attached to the item(s) of income have been met, it is more likely than not that the resources will be received and the monetary value can be measured with sufficient reliability

3.2 Offsetting

There has been no offsetting of assets and liabilities, or income and expenses, unless required or permitted by FRS102 SORP or FRS102.

3.3 Grants and donations

Income from government and other grants, whether 'capital' grants or 'revenue' grants, is recognised when the charity has entitlement to the funds, any performance conditions attached to the grants have been met, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably and

Income received in advance of the provision of a specified service is deferred until the criteria of income recognition are met.

3.4 Volunteer help

The value of volunteer help received is not included in the accounts but is described in the trustees' annual report.

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3.5 Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds are available to spend on activities that further any of the purposes of the charity. Designated funds are unrestricted funds of the charity which the trustees have decided at their discretion to set aside to use for a specific purpose. Restricted funds are donations which the donor has specified are to be solely used for particular areas of the charity's work or for specific projects

4 Expenditure and liabilities

4.1 Liability recognition

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

4.2 Charitable activities

Expenditure on charitable activities includes the costs of work and other activities undertaken to further the purposes of the charity and their associated support costs.

4.3 Governance and support costs

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

Support costs are those functions that assist the work of the charity but do not directly undertake charitable activities. Support costs include central functions and have been allocated to activity cost categories on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

4.4 Irrecoverable VAT

Irrecoverable VAT is charged as a cost against the activity for which the expenditure was incurred.

4.5 Liability

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

4.6 Provisions for liabilities

A liability is measured on recognition at its historical cost and then subsequently measured at the best estimate of the amount required to settle the obligation at the reporting date.

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1 Accounting Policies

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2 Preparation of the accounts on a going concern basis

The financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis. The Trustees have reviewed and considered relevant information, including the annual budget and future cash flows in making their assessment. The Trustees have concluded that they can continue to adopt the going concern basis in preparing the annual report and accounts.

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For the year ended 31 March 2024

Analysis of receipts

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2024 £	Total 2023 £
3 Donations and grants				
Grants				
Gateshead Council - COVID 19	-	-	-	14,000
Gateshead Council - Public Health	-	-	-	12,000
Gateshead Council - Bensham Court Food CO-OP	-	10,500	10,500	15,500
Gateshead Council - Corpus Christie Food CO-OP	-	10,000	10,000	15,500
Gateshead Council	-	-	-	8,125
Gateshead Council - Local Community Fund	-	-	-	3,000
Northumbria Police and Crime Commissioner	-	2,000	2,000	5,000
Connected Voice - Cost of Living	-	-	-	4,000
Unison	-	-	-	200
Recovery College	-	-	-	247
Arnold Clarke Automotive	-	-	-	2,000
Awards for All	-	9,705	9,705	-
Lobley Hill Primary School	1,200	-	1,200	-
NTCA	1,600	-	1,600	-
HSF	500	-	500	-
Personal Hygiene Match Funding	500	-	500	-
Gateshead Council - Resilience and Growth	-	6,000	6,000	-
Access Reach Fund	-	14,901	14,901	-
Gateshead Council - 108 Rawlings Road	-	23,397	23,397	-
Tesco Community Fund	-	1,000	1,000	-
Other receipts				
Other income	-	-	-	205
	<u>3,800</u>	<u>77,503</u>	<u>81,303</u>	<u>79,777</u>

Income was £81,303 (2023: £79,777) of which £3,800 was unrestricted or designated (2023: £27,777) and £77,503 was restricted (2023: £52,000)

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Analysis of payments on charitable activities

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2024 £	Total 2023 £
4 Charitable payments				
<u>Direct costs</u>				
Direct Project costs	1,218	35,751	36,969	80,063
Sundry Project costs	402	186	588	65
<u>Support costs</u>				
Premises	470	12,910	13,380	9,000
Premises - Building maintenance	-	3,576	3,576	3,603
Premises - Electricity	-	2,441	2,441	2,808
Premises - Gas	-	5,748	5,748	7,129
Premises - Waste Collections	-	264	264	308
Support costs	785	7,400	8,185	389
Support costs - IT software	173	-	173	236
Grant refunds:				
Northumbria PCC	-	2,000	2,000	-
HSF	-	3,510	3,510	-
<u>Governance costs</u>				
Independent examiner's fees for reporting on the accounts	-	708	708	660
Legal fees	500	-	500	-
	<u>3,548</u>	<u>74,494</u>	<u>78,042</u>	<u>104,261</u>

Expenditure on charitable activities was £78,042 (2023: £104,261) of which £3,548 was unrestricted or designated (2023: £47,769) and £74,494 was restricted (2023: £56,492)

5 Fees for examination of the accounts

	2024 £	2023 £
Independent examiner's fees for reporting on the accounts	708	660
	<u>708</u>	<u>660</u>

There were no other fees paid to the examiner (2023: £nil).

6 Analysis of staff costs and the cost of key management personnel

The charity currently does not employ staff as it subcontracts the development of the charity to a consultant. No employee received remuneration above £60,000 (2023: nil).

The key management personnel of the charity, comprise the trustees and the charity manager. The total employee benefits of the key management personnel of the charity were £nil, (2022: £nil).

7 Transactions with trustees

None of the trustees have been paid any remuneration or received any other benefits from an employment with their charity or a related entity.

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Trustees' expenses

No trustee expenses have been incurred in the year.

Transaction(s) with related parties

As detailed in note 6, the charity does not employ staff and as a result subcontracts the development of the charity to a consultant. Consultancy is conducted through a firm operated by a trustee and their spouse. The total expenditure due to consulting is £nil (2023: £10,500) paid for the work carried out in the period. The rate that of which consultancy is charged is of non market activity for the firm, at a reduced rate of 35% of the actual rate chargeable. But is within the acceptable market activity of the wider market. All trustees are in agreement of this process to continue.

8 Corporation Taxation

The charity is exempt from tax on income and gains falling within section 505 of the Taxes Act 1988 or section 252 of the Taxation of Chargeable Gains Act 1992 to the extent that these are applied to its charitable objectives.

9 Events after the end of the reporting period

No events (not requiring adjustment to the accounts) have occurred after the end of the reporting period but before the accounts are authorised which relate to conditions that arose after the end of the reporting period.

10 Grant making

	2024 Total £	2023 Total £
Purpose for which grants made		
Brighton Avenue Project	-	500
Brighton Garden Project	-	650
Rachel Hamer	-	200
I&S Nelson	-	100
Bensham Garden	-	500
B M Keating	-	400
	-	2,350

11 Analysis of charitable funds

Analysis of movements in unrestricted funds

For the year ended 31 March 2024

	Fund balances brought forward £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Transfers £	Fund balances carried forward £
Unrestricted funds					
General unrestricted fund	167	3,800	(3,548)	-	419
Designated funds					
Redundancy	2,000	-	-	-	2,000
Totals	2,167	3,800	(3,548)	-	2,419

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Purpose of unrestricted funds

General unrestricted fund	The 'free reserves' of the charity
Designated funds:	
Redundancy	Funds to cover potential loss of income.

Analysis of charitable funds

Analysis of movement in restricted funds

For the year ended 31 March 2024

	Fund balances brought forward £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Transfers £	Fund balances carried forward £
Restricted funds					
Meals at Home Project	2,688	-	(2,688)	-	-
108 Rawlings Road	5,665	23,397	(20,712)	-	8,350
Gateshead Council - Bensham Court Food CO-OP	-	10,500	(10,500)	-	-
Gateshead Council - Corpus Christie Food CO-OP	5,516	10,000	(21,303)	-	(5,787)
Northumbria Police and Crime Commissioner	-	2,000	(2,000)	-	-
Gateshead Council - Resilience and Growth	-	6,000	(4,331)	-	1,669
Access Reach Fund	-	14,901	(12,960)	-	1,941
Tesco Community Fund	-	1,000	-	-	1,000
Awards for All	-	9,705	-	-	9,705
Totals	13,869	77,503	(74,494)	-	16,878

Purpose of restricted funds

Restricted funds represent income resources used for a specific purpose within the charity as identified by the donor.

Meals at Home Project	Support for meals at home.
Gateshead Council - Bensham Court Food CO-OP	Bensham Court Food Coop.
108 Rawlings Road	Renovation of kitchen at 108 Rawlings Road.
Gateshead Council - Corpus Christie Food CO-OP	Corpus Christiti Food Coop.
Northumbria Police and Crime Commissioner	Youth Work Sessions - RETURNED TO FUNDER.
Gateshead Council - Resilience and Growth	Funding to support community consultations.
Access Reach Fund	Held for Gateshead Active - Re-opening of Gateshead Leisure Centre.
Tesco Community Fund	Youth Work Sessions.
Awards for All	Health Project including mental health staffing.

Gateshead Council - Corpus Christie received £10,700 further funding in April 2024.

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12 Guarantee

There have been no guarantees given by the charity at 31 March 2024.

13 Debt

There is no debt outstanding which is owed by the charity and which is secured by an excess charge on any of the assets of the charity at 31 March 2024.

14 Governing document

The organisation is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation - Foundation registered on 30 May 2014 as a body corporate under part 11 of the Charities Act 2022.

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England & Wales - Charity number 1157255

Accounts

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REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

For the year ended 31 March 2023

Charity Number 1157255

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ANNUAL REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

For the year ended 31 March 2023

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BENSHAM AND SALTWELL ALIVE

TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT

For the year ended 31 March 2023

The trustees are pleased to present their annual report together with the financial statements of the charity for the period ended 31 March 2023 which are also prepared to meet the requirements for a Directors' report and accounts for Companies Act purposes.

The financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the Memorandum and Articles of Association, 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 1 January 2019).

1. Objectives and Activities

The objectives of the Charity are to develop the capacity and skills of the members of the socially and economically disadvantaged community of Bensham and Saltwell in Gateshead in such a way that they are better able to identify and help meet their needs and to participate more fully in society.

During the year 2022-23, the charity used funds to sustain and initiate; in collaboration with others; a number of activities, including:

- Meal at Home Service - Supporting those in isolation and enabling others to volunteer through guided support.
- Project Coordination and Community Development Workers - Supporting the Best of Bensham Partnership and its member's projects including neighbourhood gardening, a community allotment, grant giving, and training opportunities.
- Local Food Distribution - Supporting local food coops and their service users.
- Alive Wires Youth Group - Working in collaboration with others to run weekly youth sessions in Bensham and Saltwell.

2. Achievements and Performance

Bensham and Saltwell Alive has had a successful year. This has enabled progress towards its goal of bringing together community organisations and local people to identify needs, share resources and collaborate effectively. Funding for the next year is secure and trustees consider that the Charity is in a good position to continue support to the community as it emerges from the pandemic and faces new problems in relation to employment, health and well-being. Work has begun on redeveloping the property at 108 Rawling Road in order to open a new community hub.

3. Regards to Public Benefit

When exercising any powers or duties in the running of Bensham and Saltwell Alive, the Trustees have complied with their duty to have due regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit.

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TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT

For the year ended 31 March 2023

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

Charity Name	Bensham and Saltwell Alive	
Registered Charity Number	1157255	
Operational address	108 Rawling Road Gateshead NE8 4QR	
Trustees	Robert Waugh Eileen McMaster Callum McPake John Carpenter Catherine Donovan Tom Rooke Michelle Harland Ben Jones Hugo Fearnley	Chair Vice Chair Treasurer Resigned Appointed 01/04/2023
Independent Examiner	Connected Voice Business Services Limited One Strawberry Lane Newcastle upon Tyne NE1 4BX	
Bankers	Lloyds Bank 25 Gresham Street London	

5. Structure, Governance and Management

Governing documents

Bensham and Saltwell Alive is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation. (CIO), first registered on 30 May 2014, and has a constitution as its governing document.

Organisation

The Trustees meet monthly and deal with the administration of the charity encompassing the strategic vision, financial accountability and risk management.

Risk management

The Trustees have assessed the risks to which the charitable company is exposed, in particular those related to the operations and finances of the charitable company and are satisfied that systems and procedures are in place to mitigate any risk.

Method of Recruitment of Trustees

The responsibilities of trustees are explained to potential new members who are invited to submit a written expression of interest. This contains a statement about their relevant skills and experience and reasons for wanting to be a trustee. The trustees consider the statement at a meeting of the board of trustees. The position of Chair and other officers is agreed by members.

Policies adopted for the induction and training of Trustees

Bensham and Saltwell Alive has adopted a range of appropriate policies to govern the conduct of its Trustees and any activities associated with the charity, e.g. Youth work sessions are carried out in accordance with Safeguarding procedures by qualified and DBS cleared staff employed by Creative Youth Opportunities.

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The Secretary provides new trustees with the Charity Commission Welcome Pack and supplementary materials specific to role as officers, if appropriate. Trustees have one or more Trustee Development Sessions each year, led by an external facilitator.

6. Financial Review

Bensham and Saltwell Alive is primarily funded by grants. The total receipts for the year was £79,777 (2022: £107,797) of which £52,000 is restricted (2022: £99,737) and payments £104,261 (2022: £105,968) of which £56,492 is restricted (2022: £103,552).

The Statement of Receipts and Payments for the year ended 31 March 2023, shows a deficit of £24,484 (2022: £1,829 surplus) of which a deficit of £8,204 is restricted (2022: £2,815 deficit)

The Statement of Assets and Liabilities at 31 March 2023 shows total cash fund carried forward of £16,036 (2022: £40,520) of which £13,869 is restricted (2022: £22,073)

7. Statement of Trustee Responsibilities

The charity trustees are responsible for preparing a trustees' annual report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

The charity trustees are required to prepare financial statements for each year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company and of incoming resources and application of resources. In preparing financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- Select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently;
- Observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- Make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- State whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- 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 proper accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity. 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.

Approved by the Trustees on 29.01.2024 and signed on their behalf by:

Callum McPake - Trustee and Treasurer.	
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BENSHAM AND SALTWELL ALIVE

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES

For the year ended 31 March 2023

I report on the financial statements of Bensham and Saltwell Alive for the year ended 31 March 2023, which are set out on pages 5 to 14.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144 of the Charities Act 2022 ("the Charities Act") and that an independent examination is needed.

Having satisfied myself that the charity is not subject to audit under company law and is eligible for independent examination, it is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act,
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act), and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's statement

My examination was carried out in accordance with general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from the trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair view' and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no material matters have come to my attention which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a "true and fair" view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

However, not all future events or conditions can be predicted. The COVID-19 viral pandemic is one of the most significant economic events for the UK with unprecedented levels of uncertainty of outcomes. It is therefore difficult to evaluate all of the potential implications on the charitable company's trade, customers, suppliers and wider economy. The trustees' view on the impact of COVID-19 is disclosed in the accounting

I have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Doug Maltman FMAAT
Fellow member of the Association of Accountancy Technicians
Connected Voice Business Services Ltd
One Strawberry Lane
Newcastle upon Tyne
NE1 4BX
Date: 29.01.2024

BENSHAM AND SALTWELL ALIVE
RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT
For the year ended 31 March 2023

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2023 £	Total 2022 £
Receipts					
Donations and grants	3	27,777	52,000	79,777	107,797
Total income		<u>27,777</u>	<u>52,000</u>	<u>79,777</u>	<u>107,797</u>
Payments					
Charitable activities					
Operation of the charity	4	47,769	56,492	104,261	105,968
Total expenditure		<u>47,769</u>	<u>56,492</u>	<u>104,261</u>	<u>105,968</u>
Net income/(expenditure)		(19,992)	(4,492)	(24,484)	1,829
Transfers between funds		3,712	(3,712)	-	-
Net movement of funds		(16,280)	(8,204)	(24,484)	1,829
Reconciliation of funds					
Total funds brought forward		18,447	22,073	40,520	38,691
Total funds carried forward		<u>2,167</u>	<u>13,869</u>	<u>16,036</u>	<u>40,520</u>

The Statement of Financial Activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year. All income and expenditure derive from continuing activities

The notes on pages 7 to 14 form an integral part of these accounts.

STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

As at 31 March 2023

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2023 £	Total 2022 £
Cash funds					
Cash at bank		2,093	13,869	15,962	40,446
Cash in hand		74	-	74	74
		2,167	13,869	16,036	40,520
Assets					
Gateshead Council - Public Health		-	-	-	14,000
Fixed assets					
Laptop		-	-	-	572
Freezer		988	-	988	988
Boiler		-	191	191	191
Display boards		-	457	457	457
Cinema equipment		-	533	533	533
Oven		372	1,140	1,512	1,512
Washing machine		-	-	-	213
		1,360	2,322	3,681	4,466
Liabilities					
Accountancy and independent examination				708	528
				708	528

The notes on pages 7 to 14 form an integral part of these accounts.

These financial statements were approved by the Board on:

29.01.2024

and are signed on its behalf by:

Callum McPake
Trustee

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

For the year ended 31 March 2023

1 Accounting Policies

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2 Preparation of the accounts on a going concern basis

The financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis. The Trustees have reviewed and considered relevant information, including the annual budget and future cash flows in making their assessment. The Trustees have concluded that they can continue to adopt the going concern basis in preparing the annual report and accounts.

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For the year ended 31 March 2023

Analysis of receipts

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2023 £	Total 2022 £
3 Donations and grants				
Grants				
Citizens Advice	-	-	-	400
Gateshead Council - COVID 19	14,000	-	14,000	-
Gateshead Council - Public Health	-	12,000	12,000	5,190
Gateshead Council - Bensham Court Food CO-OP	-	15,500	15,500	-
Gateshead Council - Corpus Christie Food CO-OP	-	15,500	15,500	-
Gateshead Council	8,125	-	8,125	-
Gateshead Council - Local Community Fund	-	3,000	3,000	1,000
Gateshead Council - Summer Festival	-	-	-	9,510
Groundworks UK	-	-	-	2,000
National Lottery Community Fund A4A	-	-	-	23,800
National Lottery - Food Coop	-	-	-	12,500
Northumbria Police and Crime Commissioner	5,000	-	5,000	-
St Chads Project	-	-	-	6,950
Connected Voice - Cost of Living	-	4,000	4,000	-
Unison	200	-	200	-
Community Foundation	-	-	-	30,000
Foyle Foundation	-	-	-	4,500
Newcastle Building Society - Community Fund	-	-	-	3,000
Recovery College	247	-	247	5,253
Alpkit Foundation	-	-	-	300
Arnold Clarke Automotive	-	2,000	2,000	750
Hendley Foundation	-	-	-	850
Warburtons Community Grant	-	-	-	400
Other receipts				
Donation	-	-	-	1,234
Other income	205	-	205	160
	<u>27,777</u>	<u>52,000</u>	<u>79,777</u>	<u>107,797</u>

Income was £79,777 (2022: £107,797) of which £27,777 was unrestricted or designated (2022: £8,060) and £52,000 was restricted (2022: £99,737)

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Analysis of payments on charitable activities

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2023 £	Total 2022 £
4 Charitable payments				
<u>Direct costs</u>				
Youth work sessional staff	-	244	244	46,928
Food - Co-Op	-	23	23	13,467
Community projects	-	-	-	7,385
Session costs and trips	-	-	-	1,036
Consultancy	10,500	-	10,500	25,784
Meals at Home	96	9,909	10,005	-
Training	5,500	-	5,500	269
Bensham Court Food CO-OP	3,638	17,062	20,700	-
Publicity	888	-	888	-
Allotment Project equipment	872	-	872	-
Creative Youth	1,489	4,265	5,754	-
Corpus Christi Food CO-OP	-	9,984	9,984	-
Allotment Project	1,713	-	1,713	-
St Chads	9,831	1,699	11,530	-
Grants	500	1,850	2,350	5,238
<u>Support costs</u>				
Rent and rates	1,268	7,732	9,000	-
Gas	7,129	-	7,129	-
Electricity	2,808	-	2,808	-
Cleaning	199	109	308	2
Meetings and refreshments	-	-	-	3,868
Insurance	389	-	389	-
Stationery, IT and equipment	224	12	236	765
Repair and maintenance	-	3,603	3,603	-
Other	65	-	65	698
<u>Governance costs</u>				
Independent examiner's fees for reporting on the accounts	660	-	-	528
	<u>47,769</u>	<u>56,492</u>	<u>103,601</u>	<u>105,968</u>

Expenditure on charitable activities was £104,261 (2022: £105,968) of which £47,769 was unrestricted or designated (2022: £2,416) and £56,492 was restricted (2022: £103,552)

5 Fees for examination of the accounts

	2023 £	2022 £
Independent examiner's fees for reporting on the accounts	660	528
	<u>660</u>	<u>528</u>

There were no other fees paid to the examiner (2022: £nil).

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6 Analysis of staff costs and the cost of key management personnel

The charity currently does not employ staff as it subcontracts the development of the charity to a consultant. No employee received remuneration above £60,000 (2022: nil).

The key management personnel of the charity, comprise the trustees and the charity manager. The total employee benefits of the key management personnel of the charity were £nil, (2022: £nil).

7 Transactions with trustees

None of the trustees have been paid any remuneration or received any other benefits from an employment with their charity or a related entity.

Trustees' expenses

No trustee expenses have been incurred in the year.

Transaction(s) with related parties

As detailed in note 6, the charity does not employ staff and as a result subcontracts the development of the charity to a consultant. Consultancy is conducted through a firm operated by a trustee and their spouse. The total expenditure due to consulting is £10,500 (2022: £25,784) paid for the work carried out in the period. The rate that of which consultancy is charged is of non market activity for the firm, at a reduced rate of 35% of the actual rate chargeable. But is within the acceptable market activity of the wider market. All trustees are in agreement of this process to continue.

8 Corporation Taxation

The charity is exempt from tax on income and gains falling within section 505 of the Taxes Act 1988 or section 252 of the Taxation of Chargeable Gains Act 1992 to the extent that these are applied to its charitable objectives.

9 Events after the end of the reporting period

No events (not requiring adjustment to the accounts) have occurred after the end of the reporting period but before the accounts are authorised which relate to conditions that arose after the end of the reporting period.

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10 Grant making

Purpose for which grants made	2023 Total £	2022 Total £
Ballinger	-	500
Brighton Avenue Project	500	-
Brighton Garden Project	650	-
Alive Wire - Youth Project	-	100
Rachel Hamer	200	-
I&S Nelson	100	-
Bensham Garden	500	-
B M Keating	400	-
Gateshead Council - Local Community Fund	-	100
Samosa Sisters	-	350
Best of Bensham	-	4,188
	2,350	5,238

11 Analysis of charitable funds

Analysis of movements in unrestricted funds

For the year ended 31 March 2023

	Fund balances brought forward £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Transfers £	Fund balances carried forward £
Unrestricted funds					
General unrestricted fund	4,547	27,777	(42,269)	10,112	167
Designated funds					
Redundancy	13,900	-	(5,500)	(6,400)	2,000
Totals	18,447	27,777	(47,769)	3,712	2,167

For the year ended 31 March 2022

	Fund balances brought forward £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Transfers £	Fund balances carried forward £
Unrestricted funds					
General unrestricted fund	3,803	8,060	(2,416)	(4,900)	4,547
Designated funds					
Redundancy	10,000	-	-	3,900	13,900
Totals	13,803	8,060	(2,416)	(1,000)	18,447

Purpose of unrestricted funds

General unrestricted fund

The 'free reserves' of the charity

Designated funds:

 Redundancy

Funds to cover potential loss of income.

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Analysis of charitable funds

Analysis of movement in restricted funds

For the year ended 31 March 2023

	Fund balances brought forward £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Transfers £	Fund balances carried forward £
Restricted funds					
Ballinger Charitable Trust	3,000	-	-	(3,000)	-
Community Allotment Project	4,879	-	(4,879)	-	-
Alive Wires Youth Project	3,731	-	(2,609)	(1,122)	-
Summer Programme	542	-	-	(542)	-
Best of Bensham Partnership	1,577	-	-	(1,577)	-
Meals at Home Project	6,687	4,000	(10,528)	2,529	2,688
Local Food Distribution	1,656	-	(1,656)	-	-
108 Rawlings Road	-	17,000	(11,335)	-	5,665
Bensham Court Food CO-OP	-	15,500	(15,500)	-	-
Corpus Christi Food CO-OP	-	15,500	(9,985)	-	5,515
Totals	22,073	52,000	(56,492)	(3,712)	13,869

For the year ended 31 March 2022

	Fund balances brought forward £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Transfers £	Fund balances carried forward £
Restricted funds					
The 1989 Willian Charitable Trust	1,095	-	-	(1,095)	-
Ballinger Charitable Trust	4,000	-	(1,000)	-	3,000
Gateshead Council - Local Community Fund	4,291	-	-	(4,291)	-
National Lottery Community Fund A4A	2,186	-	-	(2,186)	-
Your Voice Counts	129	-	-	(129)	-
Community Cinema Club and Saltwell Festival	921	-	-	(921)	-
HM Government - COVID 19	6,138	-	-	(6,138)	-
Groundworks UK	1,127	-	-	(1,127)	-
Sir James Knott Trust	5,000	-	-	(5,000)	-
Salaries	-	41,572	(47,572)	6,000	-
Community Allotment Project	-	6,240	(1,361)	-	4,879
Alive Wires Youth Project	-	11,500	(9,991)	2,222	3,731
Summer Programme	-	13,960	(13,418)	-	542
Best of Bensham Partnership	-	5,000	(10,482)	7,059	1,577
Meals at Home Project	-	15,465	(8,778)	-	6,687
Local Food Distribution	-	6,000	(10,950)	6,606	1,656
Totals	24,888	99,737	(103,552)	1,000	22,073

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Purpose of restricted funds

Restricted funds represent income resources used for a specific purpose within the charity as identified by the donor.

Northumbria Police and Crime Commissioner	Funds for weekly sessions for young people in Bensham.
The 1989 William Charitable Trust	Funds for weekly sessions for young people in Bensham.
Ballinger Charitable Trust (2021)	Grant distribution.
Gateshead Council	Best of Bensham partnership project.
The National Lottery Community Fund	Woodworking group - Staff costs for tutor/trainer, venue hire, materials and equipment related to the project.
Gateshead Council - Local Community Fund	Best of Bensham partnership project.
Gateshead Council - Business Grant	Business rate rebate from Gateshead Council for supporting charities during COVID 19.
National Lottery Community Fund A4A	Food distribution and other COVID 19 projects.
Your Voice Counts	Food distribution and other COVID 19 projects.
Community Cinema Club and Saltwell Festival	Community Cinema Project.
Greggs	Food distribution.
Gateshead Council - Housing Association	Food distribution.
Gateshead Council - Holiday Hunger	Community projects.
HM Government - COVID 19	Run youth work projects.
Groundworks UK	Run youth work projects.
Sir James Knott Trust	Core costs.
Salaries	Staffing costs.
Gardens	delivery of Garden Projects.
Growth and Resilience	Project delivery to build Community resilience.
Summer Programme	Youth work within school summer holidays.
Place Called home	Meals at home for those living in isolation (not Covid).
Newcastle Building Society	Meal at home for those living in isolation (not Covid).
Together For The Planet	Improving local green spaces.
St Chad's Rent	Rent costs for a community project.
Community Allotment Project	Supporting local residents into volunteering through a shared allotment. The scheme supports both volunteers and allotments' development.
Alive Wires Youth Project	Support for a local youth group including regular youth work sessions and occasional activities out of the area.
Best of Bensham Partnership	Collaboration of local community groups and residents to bring about change in the neighbourhood. Support for a project co-ordinator and project costs.
Meals at Home Project	Support for meals at home.
Local Food Distribution	Direct support for Food Banks and Coops.
108 Rawlings Road	Renovation of kitchen at 108 Rawlings Road.
Bensham Court Food CO-OP	Food distribution via food bank.
Corpus Christie Food CO-OP	Food distribution via food bank.

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Transfers between funds

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<u>Funds</u>	<u>Reason for transfer</u>	<u>Amount £</u>
Between unrestricted and designated funds	Re-classification of funds.	6,400
Between unrestricted and restricted funds.	Contribution to unrestricted overheads.	3,712

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<u>Funds</u>	<u>Reason for transfer</u>	<u>Amount £</u>
Between designated funds and restricted	Staff funding support.	1,000

12 Guarantee

There have been no guarantees given by the charity at 31 March 2023.

13 Debt

There is no debt outstanding which is owed by the charity and which is secured by an excess charge on any of the assets of the charity at 31 March 2023.

14 Governing document

The organisation is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation - Foundation registered on 30 May 2014 as a body corporate under part 11 of the Charities Act 2011.

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England & Wales - Charity number 1157255

Accounts

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REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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BENSHAM AND SALTWELL ALIVE

ANNUAL REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

For the year ended 31 March 2022

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TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT

For the year ended 31 March 2021

The trustees are pleased to present their annual report together with the financial statements of the charity for the period ended 31 March 2022 which are also prepared to meet the requirements for a Directors' report and accounts for Companies Act purposes.

The financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the Memorandum and Articles of Association, 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 1 January 2019).

1. Objectives and Activities

The objectives of the Charity are to develop the capacity and skills of the members of the socially and economically disadvantaged community of Bensham and Saltwell in Gateshead in such a way that they are better able to identify and help meet their needs and to participate more fully in society.

During the year 2020-21, the charity used funds to sustain a number of existing activities, including:

- Bensham Food Co-op – Supported by providing access to funding and admin assistance. The Co-op is a weekly service that reaches 60 people regularly.
- Bensham Court – Supported Bensham Court Tenants' and Residents' by providing ongoing support for their food Co-op and social activities for residents.
- Alive Wires Youth Clubs – 2 weekly sessions for young people offering a range of creative and arts activities.
- Summer Programme - Sessions for young people during the summer holidays, including days trips.

Best of Bensham Collaborative

The Charity had received two year's funding to establish and support the Best of Bensham Collaborative. The project has two main aims: to establish a collaborative model for working between local organisations to avoid duplication and provide a 'seamless' support offer in the neighbourhood; and to engage and develop local people through the co-production of initiatives which respond to their needs.

A Memorandum of Understanding is in place between the group and Bensham and Saltwell Alive Trustees. The trustees act as the executive group for the neighbourhood project and carry financial responsibility. The Best of Bensham Collaborative members are the delivery group for projects developed under this initiative.

A variety of activities have continued through supporting community groups and local partner organisations. These include neighbourhood gardening, a community allotment, a 'Meals at Home' service (weekly), holiday activities including arts/creative activities, football coaching and specific activities for young people.

2. Achievements and Performance

Bensham and Saltwell Alive has had a successful year. This has enabled progress towards its goal of bringing together community organisations and local people to identify needs, share resources and collaborate effectively. A range of new activities and services have been developed and begun. Funding for the next year is secure and trustees consider that the Charity is in a good position to continue support to the community as it emerges from the pandemic and faces new problems in relation to employment, health and well-being. The success of projects from the community working together has developed into plans for a community hub with a view to launch in late 2022.

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3. Regards to Public Benefit

When exercising any powers or duties in the running of Bensham and Saltwell Alive, the Trustees have complied with their duty to have due regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit.

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

Callum Marc McPake was elected as a new trustee.

Charity Name	Bensham and Saltwell Alive	
Registered Charity Number	1157255	
Operational address	108 Rawling Road Gateshead NE8 4QR	
Trustees	Robert Waugh Eileen McMaster Leanne Coxon John Carpenter Catherine Donovan Trevor Hopkins Tom Rooke Michelle Harland Ben Jones Callum McPake	Chair Vice Chair Treasurer Resigned 28.01.22 Secretary Resigned 01.01.22 Appointed 25.02.22
Independent Examiner	Jim Dodds Connected Voice Business Services Limited Higham House Higham Place Newcastle upon Tyne NE1 8AF	
Bankers	Lloyds Bank 25 Gresham Street London	

5. Structure, Governance and Management

Governing documents

Bensham and Saltwell Alive is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation. (CIO), first registered on 30 May 2014, and has a constitution as its governing document.

Organisation

The Trustees meet monthly and deal with the administration of the charity encompassing the strategic vision, financial accountability and risk management.

Risk management

The Trustees have assessed the risks to which the charitable company is exposed, in particular those related to the operations and finances of the charitable company and are satisfied that systems and procedures are in place to mitigate any risk.

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Method of Recruitment of Trustees

The responsibilities of trustees are explained to potential new members who are invited to submit a written expression of interest. This contains a statement about their relevant skills and experience and reasons for wanting to be a trustee. The trustees consider the statement at a meeting of the board of trustees. The position of Chair and other officers is agreed by members.

Policies adopted for the induction and training of Trustees

Bensham and Saltwell Alive has adopted a range of appropriate policies to govern the conduct of its Trustees and any activities associated with the charity, e.g. Youth work sessions are carried out in accordance with Safeguarding procedures by qualified and DBS cleared staff employed by Creative Youth Opportunities.

The Secretary provides new trustees with the Charity Commission Welcome Pack and supplementary materials specific to role as officers, if appropriate. Trustees have one or more Trustee Development Sessions each year, led by an external facilitator.

6. Financial Review

Bensham and Saltwell Alive is primarily funded by grants. The total income for the year was £107,797 (2021: £131,286). This income is allocated across respective funds on the Statement of Receipts and Payments in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice.

The Statement of Receipts and Payments for the year ended 31 March 2022, shows a net income across all funds of £1,829 (2021: £94).

The Statement of Assets and Liabilities at 31 March 2022 shows total cash fund carried forward of £40,520 (2021: £38,691) of which there are £22,073 restricted funds (2021: £24,888).

7. Future plans

The charity has began planning the opening of a community hub at 108 Rawling Road. The centre will be a community lead space, for residents and groups to come together and develop for themselves. Funding is being sought to cover the running and initial costs and then for projects to operate from the premises.

The charity plans to renew its partnership model following the success of the Best of Bensham Collaborative project. The charity is seeking groups to come together both in the planning/operating of the 108 hub and also using it as centre for a community network in general.

8. Statement of Trustee Responsibilities

The charity trustees are responsible for preparing a trustees' annual report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

The charity trustees are required to prepare financial statements for each year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company and of incoming resources and application of resources. In preparing financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- Select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently;
- Observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- Make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- State whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- 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 proper accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity. 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.

Approved by the trustees on 31.01.2023 and signed on their behalf by

Callum McPake

Trustee

BENSHAM AND SALTWELL ALIVE

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES

For the year ended 31 March 2022

I report on the financial statements of Bensham and Saltwell Alive for the year ended 31 March 2022, which set out on pages 7 to 17.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Charities Act") and that an independent examination is needed.

Having satisfied myself that the charity is not subject to audit under company law and is eligible for independent examination, it is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act,
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act), and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's statement

My examination was carried out in accordance with general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from the trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair view' and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no material matters have come to my attention which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a "true and fair" view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent

However, not all future events or conditions can be predicted. The COVID-19 viral pandemic is one of the most significant economic events for the UK with unprecedented levels of uncertainty of outcomes. It is therefore difficult to evaluate all of the potential implications on the charitable company's trade, customers, suppliers and wider economy. The trustees' view on the impact of COVID-19 is disclosed in the accounting

I have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Doug Maltman FMAAT
Connected Voice Business Services Ltd
Higham House
Higham Place
Newcastle upon Tyne
NE1 8AF
Date: 31.01.2023

BENSHAM AND SALTWELL ALIVE
RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT
For the year ended 31 March 2022

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2022 £	Total 2021 £
Receipts					
Donations and grants	3	8,060	99,737	107,797	131,286
Total income		<u>8,060</u>	<u>99,737</u>	<u>107,797</u>	<u>131,286</u>
Payments					
Charitable activities					
Operation of the charity	4	2,416	103,552	105,968	131,192
Total expenditure		<u>2,416</u>	<u>103,552</u>	<u>105,968</u>	<u>131,192</u>
Net income/(expenditure)		5,644	(3,815)	1,829	94
Transfers between funds		<u>(1,000)</u>	<u>1,000</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Net movement of funds		4,644	(2,815)	1,829	94
Reconciliation of funds					
Total funds brought forward		13,803	24,888	38,691	38,597
Total funds carried forward		<u>18,447</u>	<u>22,073</u>	<u>40,520</u>	<u>38,691</u>

The Statement of Financial Activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year. All income and expenditure derive from continuing activities

The notes on pages 9 to 17 form an integral part of these accounts.

STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

As at 31 March 2022

Notes	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2022 £	Total 2021 £
<u>Cash funds</u>				
Cash at bank	18,373	22,073	40,446	38,617
Cash in hand	74	-	74	74
Total cash funds	18,447	22,073	40,520	38,691
<u>Assets</u>				
Gateshead Council - Public Health	-	14,000	14,000	-
<u>Fixed assets</u>				
Laptop	-	572	572	572
Freezer	988	-	988	988
Boiler	-	191	191	191
Display boards	-	457	457	457
Cinema equipment	-	533	533	533
Oven	372	1,140	1,512	1,512
Washing machine	-	-	-	213
Total assets	1,360	2,894	4,253	4,466
<u>Liabilities</u>				
Accountancy and independent examination			528	528
Total liabilities			528	528

The notes on pages 9 to 17 form an integral part of these accounts.

These financial statements were approved by the Board on:

31.01.2023

and are signed on its behalf by:

Callum McPake
Trustee

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

For the year ended 31 March 2022

1 Accounting Policies

The accounts have been prepared on the receipts and payments basis. An audit is not required by the charity's constitution and has not been requested by the trustees.

2 Preparation of the accounts on a going concern basis

The financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis. The Trustees have reviewed and considered relevant information, including the annual budget and future cash flows in making their assessment. In particular, in response to the COVID-19 pandemic, the Trustees have revised their forecasts to take into account the impact on the business of possible scenarios brought on by the impact of COVID-19, alongside the measures that they can take to mitigate the impact. Based on these assessments, given the measures that could be undertaken to mitigate the current adverse conditions, and the current resources available, the Trustees have concluded that they can continue to adopt the going concern basis in preparing the annual report and accounts.

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, it has put many strains on all businesses including Bensham and Saltwell Alive. It should be noted that the charity is still able to meet its obligations to fulfilling its contracts with funders, who have been flexible about the timescale for delivery. Also due to the crises, the trustees have acknowledged that the crisis has allowed them to gain extra funding in the next 12 months to support vulnerable households.

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Analysis of receipts

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2022 £	Total 2021 £
3 Donations and grants				
Grants				
Ballinger Charitable Trust	-	-	-	8,000
Bensham Grove	-	-	-	125
Citizens Advice	-	400	400	5,000
Gateshead Council - COVID 19	-	-	-	10,000
Gateshead Council - Public Health	-	5,190	5,190	-
Gateshead Council - Holiday Hunger	-	-	-	5,559
Gateshead Council - Housing Association	-	-	-	1,500
Gateshead Council - Innovation Grant	-	-	-	38,886
Gateshead Council - Local Community Fund	-	1,000	1,000	4,200
Gateshead Council - Summer Festival	-	9,510	9,510	-
Greggs Foundation	-	-	-	500
Groundworks UK	-	2,000	2,000	2,000
HM Government - COVID 19	-	-	-	25,000
National Lottery Community Fund A4A	-	23,800	23,800	15,400
National Lottery - Food Coop	2,500	10,000	12,500	-
Northumbria Police and Crime Commissioner	-	-	-	1,250
St Chads Project	-	6,950	6,950	-
Sir James Knott Trust	-	-	-	5,000
The 1989 Willian Charitable Trust	-	-	-	1,660
Your Voice Counts	-	-	-	3,160
Community Foundation	-	30,000	30,000	-
Foyle Foundation	4,500	-	4,500	-
Newcastle Building Society - Community Fund	-	3,000	3,000	-
Recovery College	-	5,253	5,253	-
Alpkit Foundation	-	300	300	-
Arnold Clarke Automotive	-	750	750	-
Hendley Foundation	-	850	850	-
Warburtons Community Grant	400	-	400	-
Other receipts				
Donation	500	734	1,234	3,946
Other income	160	-	160	100
	<u>8,060</u>	<u>99,737</u>	<u>107,797</u>	<u>131,286</u>

Income was £107,797 (2021: £131,286) of which £8,060 was unrestricted or designated (2021: £9,080) and £99,737 was restricted (2021: £122,206)

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Analysis of payments on charitable activities

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2022 £	Total 2021 £
4 Charitable payments				
<u>Direct costs</u>				
Youth work sessional staff	-	46,928	46,928	36,426
Food - Co-Op	133	13,334	13,467	12,937
Community projects	500	6,885	7,385	21,329
Session costs and trips	36	1,000	1,036	991
Consultancy	-	25,784	25,784	30,829
Room hire	-	-	-	1,125
Training	-	269	269	1,543
Staff costs	-	-	-	4
Grants	-	5,238	5,238	13,582
<u>Support costs</u>				
Rent and rates	-	-	-	2,160
Electricity	-	-	-	322
Cleaning	2	-	2	-
Meetings and refreshments	695	3,173	3,868	-
Insurance	-	-	-	309
Stationery, IT and equipment	317	448	765	2,994
Repair and maintenance	-	-	-	845
Professional fees	-	-	-	393
Large equipment purchases	-	-	-	4,426
Other	205	493	698	449
<u>Governance costs</u>				
Independent examiner's fees for reporting on the accounts	528	-	528	528
	<u>2,416</u>	<u>103,552</u>	<u>105,968</u>	<u>131,192</u>

Expenditure on charitable activities was £105,968 (2021: £131,192) of which £2,416 was unrestricted or designated (2021: £5,298) and £103,552 was restricted (2021: £125,894)

5 Fees for examination of the accounts

	2022 £	2021 £
Independent examiner's fees for reporting on the accounts	528	528
	<u>528</u>	<u>528</u>

There were no other fees paid to the examiner (2021: £nil).

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6 Analysis of staff costs and the cost of key management personnel

The charity currently does not employ staff as it subcontracts the development of the charity to a consultant. No employee received remuneration above £60,000 (2021: nil).

The key management personnel of the charity, comprise the trustees and the charity manager. The total employee benefits of the key management personnel of the charity were £nil.

7 Transactions with trustees

None of the trustees have been paid any remuneration or received any other benefits from an employment with their charity or a related entity.

Trustees' expenses

No trustee expenses have been incurred in the year.

Transaction(s) with related parties

As detailed in note 6, the charity does not employ staff and as a result subcontracts the development of the charity to a consultant. Consultancy is conducted through a firm operated by a trustee and their spouse. The total expenditure due to consulting is £25,784 (2021: £30,829) paid for the work carried out in the period. The rate that of which consultancy is charged is of non market activity for the firm, at a reduced rate of 35% of the actual rate chargeable. But is within the acceptable market activity of the wider market. All trustees are in agreement of this process to continue.

8 Corporation Taxation

The charity is exempt from tax on income and gains falling within section 505 of the Taxes Act 1988 or section 252 of the Taxation of Chargeable Gains Act 1992 to the extent that these are applied to its charitable objectives.

9 Events after the end of the reporting period

No events (not requiring adjustment to the accounts) have occurred after the end of the reporting period but before the accounts are authorised which relate to conditions that arose after the end of the reporting period.

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10 Grant making

Purpose for which grants made	2022 Total £	2021 Total £
Ballinger	500	-
Affleck Sreet Gardeners	-	350
BF Co-Op	-	850
Brighton Avenue PR	-	750
Brighton Gardens Gardeners	-	1,682
Ceadmon Primary School	-	250
Corpus Christi	-	750
Creative Youth Opportunities	-	800
Alive Wire - Youth Project	100	-
Feeding Families	-	300
Gateshead Carers	-	700
Jewish Project	-	500
Peace of Mind	-	850
Prince's Trust	-	350
Side by Side Arts	-	1,000
St. Chad's Community Project	-	750
The Chev Project	-	1,350
The Comfrey Project	-	1,250
Young Women's Outreach Project	-	250
Zayis Raanon	-	500
Zero Limits	-	350
Gateshead Council - Local Community Fund	100	-
Samosa Sisters	350	-
Best of Bensham	4,188	-
	<u>5,238</u>	<u>13,582</u>

11 Analysis of charitable funds

Analysis of movements in unrestricted funds

For the year ended 31 March 2022

	Fund balances brought forward £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Transfers £	Fund balances carried forward £
Unrestricted funds					
General unrestricted fund	3,803	8,060	(2,416)	(4,900)	4,547
Designated funds					
Redundancy	10,000	-	-	3,900	13,900
Totals	<u>13,803</u>	<u>8,060</u>	<u>(2,416)</u>	<u>(1,000)</u>	<u>18,447</u>

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For the year ended 31 March 2021

	Fund balances brought forward £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Transfers £	Fund balances carried forward £
Unrestricted funds					
General unrestricted fund	21	9,080	(5,298)	-	3,803
Designated funds					
Redundancy	-	-	-	10,000	10,000
Totals	21	9,080	(5,298)	10,000	13,803

Purpose of unrestricted funds

General unrestricted fund	The 'free reserves' of the charity
Designated funds:	
Redundancy	Funds to cover potential loss of income.

Analysis of charitable funds

Analysis of movement in restricted funds

For the year ended 31 March 2022

	Fund balances brought forward £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Transfers £	Fund balances carried forward £
Restricted funds					
The 1989 Willian Charitable Trust	1,095	-	-	(1,095)	-
Ballinger Charitable Trust	4,000	-	(1,000)	-	3,000
Gateshead Council - Local Community Fund	4,291	-	-	(4,291)	-
National Lottery Community Fund A4A	2,186	-	-	(2,186)	-
Your Voice Counts	129	-	-	(129)	-
Community Cinema Club and Saltwell Festival	921	-	-	(921)	-
HM Government - COVID 19	6,138	-	-	(6,138)	-
Groundworks UK	1,127	-	-	(1,127)	-
Sir James Knott Trust	5,000	-	-	(5,000)	-
Salaries	-	41,572	(47,572)	6,000	-
Community Allotment Project	-	6,240	(1,361)	-	4,879
Alive Wires Youth Project	-	11,500	(9,991)	2,222	3,731
Summer Programme	-	13,960	(13,418)	-	542
Best of Bensham Partnership	-	5,000	(10,482)	7,059	1,577
Meals at Home Project	-	15,465	(8,778)	-	6,687
Local Food Distribution	-	6,000	(10,950)	6,606	1,656
Totals	24,888	99,737	(103,552)	1,000	22,073

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For the year ended 31 March 2021

	Fund balances brought forward £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Transfers £	Fund balances carried forward £
Restricted funds					
Northumbria Police and Crime Commissioner	-	1,250	(1,250)	-	-
The 1989 Willian Charitable Trust	-	1,660	(565)	-	1,095
Ballinger Charitable Trust	-	8,000	(4,000)	-	4,000
Gateshead Council	1,525	38,886	(40,411)	-	-
National Lottery Community Fund	35,451	-	(35,361)	(90)	-
Gateshead Council - Local Community Fund	-	4,291	-	-	4,291
Gateshead Council - Business Grant	-	10,000	-	(10,000)	-
National Lottery Community Fund A4A	-	15,400	(13,214)	-	2,186
Your Voice Counts	-	3,160	(3,031)	-	129
Community Cinema Club and Saltwell Festival	1,600	-	(679)	-	921
Greggs	-	500	(500)	-	-
Gateshead Council - Housing Association	-	1,500	(1,500)	-	-
Gateshead Council - Holiday Hunger	-	5,559	(5,649)	90	-
HM Government - COVID 19	-	25,000	(18,862)	-	6,138
Groundworks UK	-	2,000	(873)	-	1,127
Sir James Knott Trust	-	5,000	-	-	5,000
Totals	38,576	122,206	(125,895)	(10,000)	24,888

Purpose of restricted funds

Restricted funds represent income resources used for a specific purpose within the charity as identified by the donor.

Northumbria Police and Crime Commissioner	Funds for weekly sessions for young people in Bensham.
The 1989 Willian Charitable Trust	Funds for weekly sessions for young people in Bensham.
Ballinger Charitable Trust (2021)	Grant distribution.
Gateshead Council	Best of Bensham partnership project.
The National Lottery Community Fund	Woodworking group - Staff costs for tutor/trainer, venue hire, materials and equipment related to the project.
Gateshead Council - Local Community Fund	Best of Bensham partnership project.
Gateshead Council - Business Grant	Business rate rebate from Gateshead Council for supporting charities during COVID 19.
National Lottery Community Fund A4A	Food distribution and other COVID 19 projects.
Your Voice Counts	Food distribution and other COVID 19 projects.
Community Cinema Club and Saltwell Festival	Community Cinema Project.
Greggs	Food distribution.
Gateshead Council - Housing Association	Food distribution.

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Purpose of restricted funds (continued)

Gateshead Council - Holiday Hunger	Community projects.
HM Government - COVID 19	Run youth work projects.
Groundworks UK	Run youth work projects.
Sir James Knott Trust	Core costs.
Salaries	Staffing costs.
Gardens	delivery of Garden Projects.
Growth and Resilience	Project delivery to build Community resilience.
Summer Programme	Youth work within school summer holidays.
Place Called home	Meals at home for those living in isolation (not Covid).
Newcastle Building Society	Meal at home for those living in isolation (not Covid).
Together For The Planet	Improving local green spaces.
St Chad's Rent	Rent costs for a community project.
Community Allotment Project	Supporting local residents into volunteering through a shared allotment. The scheme supports both volunteers and allotments' development.
Alive Wires Youth Project	Support for a local youth group including regular youth work sessions and occasional activities out of the area.
Best of Bensham Partnership	Collaboration of local community groups and residents to bring about change in the neighbourhood. Support for a project co-ordinator and project costs.
Meals at Home Project	Support for meals at home.
Local Food Distribution	Direct support for Food Banks and Coops.

Transfers between funds

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<u>Funds</u>	<u>Reason for transfer</u>	<u>Amount £</u>
Between restricted funds	Re-classification of funds to Project names	-
Between designated funds and restricted	Staff funding support.	1,000

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<u>Funds</u>	<u>Reason for transfer</u>	<u>Amount £</u>
Between restricted funds	Cover deficit on project	90
Between restricted funds and designated	Redundancy provision	10,000

12 Guarantee

There have been no guarantees given by the charity at 31 March 2022.

13 Debt

There is no debt outstanding which is owed by the charity and which is secured by an excess charge on any of the assets of the charity at 31 March 2022.

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14 Governing document

The organisation is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation - Foundation registered on 30 May 2014 as a body corporate under part 11 of the Charities Act 2011.

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England & Wales - Charity number 1157255

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ANNUAL REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT

For the year ended 31 March 2021

The trustees are pleased to present their annual report together with the financial statements of the charity for the period ended 31 March 2021 which are also prepared to meet the requirements for a Directors' report and accounts for Companies Act purposes.

The financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the Memorandum and Articles of Association, 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 1 January 2019).

1. Objectives and Activities

The objectives of the Charity are to develop the capacity and skills of the members of the socially and economically disadvantaged community of Bensham and Saltwell in Gateshead in such a way that they are better able to identify and help meet their needs and to participate more fully in society.

During the year 2020-21, the charity used funds to sustain a number of existing activities, including:

- Bensham Food Co-op – a weekly service that reaches 60 people regularly.
- Bensham Court – Supported Bensham Court Tenants' and Residents' Association to adopt a new constitution and apply for funds in its own right. Also provided ongoing support for their food Co-op and social activities for residents.
- Alive Wires Youth Clubs – 2 weekly sessions for young people offering a range of creative and arts activities. These continued throughout 2020/21 but taking account of Covid safety the sessions were delivered online (via Zoom) or outdoors.

Best of Bensham Collaborative

The Charity had received two year's funding to establish and support the Best of Bensham Collaborative. The project has two main aims: to establish a collaborative model for working between local organisations to avoid duplication and provide a 'seamless' support offer in the neighbourhood; and to engage and develop local people through the co-production of initiatives which respond to their needs.

During the reporting period, a further 14 organisations joined the Collaborative bringing the total membership to 35 local organisations. The Collaborative continued to meet monthly in person or videoconferencing to discuss project delivery and to update activities. It is chaired by one of the Charity's trustees.

A Memorandum of Understanding is in place between the group and Bensham and Saltwell Alive Trustees. The trustees act as the executive group for the neighbourhood project and carry financial responsibility. The Best of Bensham Collaborative members are the delivery group for projects developed under this initiative.

A variety of activities was established through supporting community groups and local partner organisations. These include neighbourhood gardening, a community allotment, a 'Meals at Home' service (weekly), holiday activities including arts/creative activities, football coaching and specific activities for young Jewish people with disabilities. We also supported local arts organisation 'Dingy Butterflies to run a creative project in the Bensham area (10 x 10 Creative Bensham).

Bensham and Saltwell Alive has established a website and improved its communications with the community through this, social media and other forms, e.g., Newsletter and activity pack were sent to 300 homes. We have also recruited and built up a group of around 45 active local volunteers who support many of the activities above.

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We have supported five local groups to become formally constituted, enabling them to apply and hold funds for their own activities, these are: The Chev, Brighton Gardens Gardeners, Creative Youth Opportunities (conversion to a CIO), Bensham Court and the Alive Lunch Club.

Effects of the pandemic

In February/March 2020, the effects of the coronavirus pandemic and the government's 'lockdown' response were becoming evident. Consequently, activities and meetings were moved online as far as possible and constraints discussed with Gateshead Council.

The trustees reviewed the Charity's financial position at the start of the financial year and determined that it was secure until April 2021. The Gateshead Council Innovation and Development Fund provided funding up to 31 March 2021. It was supplemented by a development grant of £44,590 from the National Lottery Community Fund to extend the project's administrative resources. This expired on 31 December 2020. Smaller grants from National Lottery Community Fund (A4A), Ballinger Trust, Dept of Culture, Media and Sport (Covid Support Grant) totalling £55,000 were secured within the financial year (20/21)

An application to the Community Foundation was successful, providing funding of £30,000 for the following year (2021-2022).

2. Achievements and Performance

Bensham and Saltwell Alive has had a successful year, securing substantial additional grant funding to cope with the additional demands that resulted from the Covid-19 epidemic. This has enabled progress towards its goal of bringing together community organisations and local people to identify needs, share resources and collaborate effectively. A range of new activities and services have been developed and begun. Funding for the next year is secure and trustees consider that the Charity is in a good position to continue support to the community as it emerges from the pandemic and faces new problems in relation to employment, health and well-being.

3. Regards to Public Benefit

When exercising any powers or duties in the running of Bensham and Saltwell Alive, the Trustees have complied with their duty to have due regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit.

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

Michelle Harland and Ben Jones, both members of the Best of Bensham Collaborative, were elected as new trustees.

Charity Name	Bensham and Saltwell Alive	
Registered Charity Number	1157255	
Operational address	c/o St Chads Community Project 21 Liddell Terrace Gateshead NE8 1YN	
Trustees	Robert Waugh Eileen McMaster Leanne Coxon John Carpenter Catherine Donovan Trevor Hopkins Tom Rooke Michelle Harland Ben Jones	Chair Vice Chair Treasurer Secretary Appointed 27.08.20 Appointed 27.08.20
Independent Examiner	Jim Dodds Connected Voice Business Services Limited Higham House Higham Place Newcastle upon Tyne NE1 8AF	
Bankers	Lloyds Bank 25 Gresham Street London	

5. Structure, Governance and Management

Governing documents

Bensham and Saltwell Alive is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation. (CIO), first registered on 30 May 2014, and has a constitution as its governing document.

Organisation

The Trustees meet monthly and deal with the administration of the charity encompassing the strategic vision, financial accountability and risk management.

Risk management

The Trustees have assessed the risks to which the charitable company is exposed, in particular those related to the operations and finances of the charitable company and are satisfied that systems and procedures are in place to mitigate any risk.

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Method of Recruitment of Trustees

The responsibilities of trustees are explained to potential new members who are invited to submit a written expression of interest. This contains a statement about their relevant skills and experience and reasons for wanting to be a trustee. The trustees consider the statement at a meeting of the board of trustees. The position of Chair and other officers is agreed by members.

Policies adopted for the induction and training of Trustees

Bensham and Saltwell Alive has adopted a range of appropriate policies to govern the conduct of its Trustees and any activities associated with the charity, e.g. Youth work sessions are carried out in accordance with Safeguarding procedures by qualified and DBS cleared staff employed by Creative Youth Opportunities.

The Secretary provides new trustees with the Charity Commission Welcome Pack and supplementary materials specific to role as officers, if appropriate. Trustees have one or more Trustee Development Sessions each year, led by an external facilitator.

6. Financial Review

Bensham and Saltwell Alive is primarily funded by grants. The total income for the year was £131,286 (2019: £85,120). This income is allocated across respective funds on the Statement of Receipts and Payments in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice.

The Statement of Receipts and Payments for the year ended 31 March 2021, shows a net income across all funds of £93 (2020: net expenditure £5,955).

The Statement of Assets and Liabilities at 31 March 2021 shows total cash fund carried forward of £38,690 (2020: £38,597) of which there are £24,888 restricted funds (2020: £38,576).

7. Statement of Trustee Responsibilities

The charity trustees are responsible for preparing a trustees' annual report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

The charity trustees are required to prepare financial statements for each year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company and of incoming resources and application of resources. In preparing financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- Select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently;
- Observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- Make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- State whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- 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 proper accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity. 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.

Approved by the Trustees on 29th October 2021 and signed on their behalf by:



Dr John S W Carpenter
Trustee and Secretary

BENSHAM AND SALTWELL ALIVE

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES

For the year ended 31 March 2021

I report on the financial statements of Bensham and Saltwell Alive for the year ended 31 March 2021, which are set out on pages 7 to 16.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Charities Act") and that an independent examination is needed.

Having satisfied myself that the charity is not subject to audit under company law and is eligible for independent examination, it is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act,
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act), and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's statement

My examination was carried out in accordance with general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from the trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair view' and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no material matters have come to my attention which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a "true and fair" view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent

However, not all future events or conditions can be predicted. The COVID-19 viral pandemic is one of the most significant economic events for the UK with unprecedented levels of uncertainty of outcomes. It is therefore difficult to evaluate all of the potential implications on the charitable company's trade, customers, suppliers and wider economy. The trustees' view on the impact of COVID-19 is disclosed in the accounting

I have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Jim Dodds
Connected Voice Business Services Ltd
Higham House
Higham Place
Newcastle upon Tyne
NE1 8AF
Date: 29th October 2021

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RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT

For the year ended 31 March 2021

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2021 £	Total 2020 £
Receipts					
Donations and grants	3	9,080	122,206	131,286	85,120
Total income		9,080	122,206	131,286	85,120
Payments					
Charitable activities					
Operation of the charity	4	5,298	125,894	131,193	91,075
Total expenditure		5,298	125,894	131,193	91,075
Net income/(expenditure)		3,782	(3,688)	93	(5,955)
Transfers between funds		10,000	(10,000)	-	-
Net movement of funds		13,782	(13,688)	93	(5,955)
Reconciliation of funds					
Total funds brought forward		21	38,576	38,597	44,552
Total funds carried forward		13,803	24,888	38,690	38,597

The Statement of Financial Activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year. All income and expenditure derive from continuing activities

The notes on pages 9 to 16 form an integral part of these accounts.

STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

As at 31 March 2021

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2021 £	Total 2020 £
<u>Cash funds</u>					
Cash at bank		13,728	24,888	38,616	38,587
Cash in hand		74	-	74	10
		13,803	24,888	38,690	38,597
<u>Fixed assets</u>					
Laptop		-	572	572	572
Freezer		988	-	988	988
Boiler		-	191	191	191
Display boards		-	457	457	457
Cinema equipment		-	533	533	533
Oven		372	1,140	1,512	1,512
Washing machine		-	213	213	213
		1,360	3,106	4,466	4,466
<u>Liabilities</u>					
Accountancy and independent examination				528	528
				528	528

The notes on pages 9 to 16 form an integral part of these accounts.

These financial statements were approved by the Board on:

29th October 2021

and are signed on its behalf by:

Dr John S W Carpenter
Trustee

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1 Accounting Policies

The accounts have been prepared on the receipts and payments basis. An audit is not required by the charity's constitution and has not been requested by the trustees.

2 Preparation of the accounts on a going concern basis

The financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis. The Trustees have reviewed and considered relevant information, including the annual budget and future cash flows in making their assessment. In particular, in response to the COVID-19 pandemic, the Trustees have revised their forecasts to take into account the impact on the business of possible scenarios brought on by the impact of COVID-19, alongside the measures that they can take to mitigate the impact. Based on these assessments, given the measures that could be undertaken to mitigate the current adverse conditions, and the current resources available, the Trustees have concluded that they can continue to adopt the going concern basis in preparing the annual report and accounts.

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, it has put many strains on all businesses including Bensham and Saltwell Alive. It should be noted that the charity is still able to meet its obligations to fulfilling its contracts with funders, who have been flexible about the timescale for delivery. Also due to the crises, the trustees have acknowledged that the crisis has allowed them to gain extra funding in the next 12 months to support vulnerable households.

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Analysis of income

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2021 £	Total 2020 £
3 Donations and grants				
Grants				
Avenue Project	-	-	-	1,261
Ballinger Charitable Trust	-	8,000	8,000	-
Bensham Grove	125	-	125	-
Citizens Advice	5,000	-	5,000	-
Gateshead Council - COVID 19	-	10,000	10,000	-
Gateshead Council - Department of Education	-	-	-	2,630
Gateshead Council - Community Cinema	-	-	-	600
Gateshead Council - Holiday Hunger	-	5,559	5,559	-
Gateshead Council - Housing Association	-	1,500	1,500	-
Gateshead Council - Innovation Grant	-	38,886	38,886	29,388
Gateshead Council - Local Community Fund	-	4,200	4,200	2,660
Gateshead Council - Summer Festival	-	-	-	1,000
Greggs Foundation	-	500	500	-
Groundworks UK	-	2,000	2,000	-
HM Government - COVID 19	-	25,000	25,000	-
National Lottery Community Fund A4A	-	15,400	15,400	44,590
Newcastle University - Spacehive	-	-	-	600
Northumbria Police and Crime Commissioner	-	1,250	1,250	-
St Chads Project	-	-	-	1,316
Sir James Knott Trust	-	5,000	5,000	-
The 1989 Willian Charitable Trust	-	1,660	1,660	-
Your Voice Counts	-	3,160	3,160	-
Other income				
Course fees	-	-	-	125
Donation	3,946	-	3,946	722
Other income	9	91	100	228
	<u>9,080</u>	<u>122,206</u>	<u>131,286</u>	<u>85,120</u>

Income was £131,286 (2020: £85,120) of which £9,080 was unrestricted or designated (2020: £1,478) and £122,206 was restricted (2020: £83,642)

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Analysis of expenditure on charitable activities

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2021 £	Total 2020 £
4 Charitable expenditure				
<u>Direct costs</u>				
Youth work sessional staff	-	36,426	36,426	10,228
Development staff	-	-	-	1,193
Food - Co-Op	41	12,896	12,937	2,800
Community projects	3,669	17,660	21,329	10,540
Lobley Hill Food Bank	-	-	-	2,741
Session costs and trips	67	924	991	5,492
Consultancy	-	30,829	30,829	24,654
Room hire	-	1,125	1,125	5,310
Training	-	1,543	1,543	2,442
Staff costs	-	4	4	2,119
Fundraising	-	-	-	175
Grants	-	13,582	13,582	2,000
Launch event	-	-	-	250
<u>Support costs</u>				
Rent and rates	-	2,160	2,160	243
Electricity	-	322	322	539
Cleaning	-	-	-	320
Meetings and refreshments	-	-	-	115
Insurance	-	309	309	378
Stationery, IT and equipment	1,164	1,830	2,994	5,097
Mobile	-	-	-	56
Repair and maintenance	7	838	845	2,739
Professional fees	-	393	393	6,330
Large equipment purchases	-	4,426	4,426	4,466
Other	350	100	450	344
<u>Governance costs</u>				
Independent examiner's fees for reporting on the accounts	-	528	528	504
	<u>5,298</u>	<u>125,894</u>	<u>131,193</u>	<u>91,075</u>

Expenditure on charitable activities was £131,193 (2020: £91,075) of which £5,298 was unrestricted or designated (2020: £3,318) and £125,894 was restricted (2020: £87,757)

5 Fees for examination of the accounts

	2021 £	2020 £
Independent examiner's fees for reporting on the accounts	528	528
	<u>528</u>	<u>528</u>

There were no other fees paid to the examiner (2020: £nil).

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6 Analysis of staff costs and the cost of key management personnel

The charity currently does not employ staff as it subcontracts the development of the charity to a consultant. No employee received remuneration above £60,000 (2020: nil).

The key management personnel of the charity, comprise the trustees and the charity manager. The total employee benefits of the key management personnel of the charity were £nil.

7 Transactions with trustees

None of the trustees have been paid any remuneration or received any other benefits from an employment with their charity or a related entity.

Trustees' expenses

No trustee expenses have been incurred in the year.

Transaction(s) with related parties

As detailed in note 6, the charity does not employ staff and as a result subcontracts the development of the charity to a consultant. Consultancy is conducted through a firm operated by a trustee and their spouse. The total expenditure due to consulting is £25,900 (2020: £24,654) paid for the work carried out in the period. The rate that of which consultancy is charged is of non market activity for the firm, at a reduced rate of 35% of the actual rate chargeable. But is within the acceptable market activity of the wider market. All trustees are in agreement of this process to continue.

8 Corporation Taxation

The charity is exempt from tax on income and gains falling within section 505 of the Taxes Act 1988 or section 252 of the Taxation of Chargeable Gains Act 1992 to the extent that these are applied to its charitable objectives.

9 Events after the end of the reporting period

No events (not requiring adjustment to the accounts) have occurred after the end of the reporting period but before the accounts are authorised which relate to conditions that arose after the end of the reporting period.

10 Grant making

	2021	2020
	Total	Total
	£	£
Purpose for which grants made		
Alive Lunch Club	-	250
Affleck Sreet Gardeners	350	-
Bensham Court	-	700
BF Co-Op	850	-
Brighton Avenue PR	750	-
Brighton Gardens Gardeners	1,682	-
Ceadmon Primary School	250	-
Corpus Christi	750	-
Creative Youth Opportunities	800	250
<i>Carried forward</i>	5,432	1,200

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10 Grant making (continued)

Purpose for which grants made	2021 Total £	2020 Total £
<i>Brought forward</i>	5,432	1,200
Dingy Butterflies	-	250
Feeding Families	300	-
Gateshead Carers	700	-
Jewish Project	500	-
Peace of Mind	850	-
Prince's Trust	350	-
Side by Side Arts	1,000	-
St. Chad's Community Project	750	200
Sudanese Mens Group	-	200
The Chev Project	1,350	-
The Comfrey Project	1,250	150
Young Women's Outreach Project	250	-
Zayis Raanon	500	-
Zero Limits	350	-
	13,582	2,000

11 Analysis of charitable funds

Analysis of movements in unrestricted funds

For the year ended 31 March 2021

	Fund balances brought forward £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Transfers £	Fund balances carried forward £
Unrestricted funds					
General unrestricted fund	21	9,080	(5,298)	-	3,803
Designated funds					
Redundancy	-	-	-	10,000	10,000
Totals	21	9,080	(5,298)	10,000	13,803

For the year ended 31 March 2020

	Fund balances brought forward £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Transfers £	Fund balances carried forward £
Unrestricted funds					
General unrestricted fund	1,800	1,478	(3,318)	61	21
Totals	1,800	1,478	(3,318)	61	21

Purpose of unrestricted funds

General unrestricted fund The 'free reserves' of the charity

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11 Analysis of charitable funds (continued)

Analysis of movement in restricted funds

For the year ended 31 March 2021

	Fund balances brought forward £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Transfers £	Fund balances carried forward £
Restricted funds					
Northumbria Police and Crime Commissioner	-	1,250	(1,250)	-	-
The 1989 Willian Charitable Trust	-	1,660	(565)	-	1,095
Ballinger Charitable Trust	-	8,000	(4,000)	-	4,000
Gateshead Council	1,525	38,886	(40,411)	-	-
National Lottery Community Fund	35,451	-	(35,361)	(90)	-
Gateshead Council - Local Community Fund	-	4,291	-	-	4,291
Gateshead Council - Business Grant	-	10,000	-	(10,000)	-
National Lottery Community Fund A4A	-	15,400	(13,214)	-	2,186
Your Voice Counts	-	3,160	(3,031)	-	129
Community Cinema Club and Saltwell Festival	1,600	-	(679)	-	921
Greggs	-	500	(500)	-	-
Gateshead Council - Housing Association	-	1,500	(1,500)	-	-
Gateshead Council - Holiday Hunger	-	5,559	(5,649)	90	-
HM Government - COVID 19	-	25,000	(18,862)	-	6,138
Groundworks UK	-	2,000	(873)	-	1,127
Sir James Knott Trust	-	5,000	-	-	5,000
Totals	38,576	122,206	(125,895)	(10,000)	24,888

For the year ended 31 March 2020

	Fund balances brought forward £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Transfers £	Fund balances carried forward £
Restricted funds					
Ballinger Charitable Trust	2,340	-	(2,340)	-	-
Gateshead Council	-	29,388	(27,863)	-	1,525
CBF Art Project	645	2,080	(2,640)	(85)	-
Cinema Club	-	600	-	-	600
Youth Work	3,925	4,484	(8,409)	-	-
Food - Co-Op	950	1,500	(2,500)	50	-
Lobley Hill Food Bank	2,741	-	(2,741)	-	-
Saltwell Festival	-	1,000	-	-	1,000
National Lottery Community Fund	9,750	44,590	(18,876)	(13)	35,451
Thrive Fund	22,400	-	(22,387)	(13)	-
Totals	42,752	83,642	(87,757)	(61)	38,576

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11 Analysis of charitable funds *(continued)*

Purpose of restricted funds

Restricted funds represent income resources used for a specific purpose within the charity as identified by the donor.

Youth Work	Funds for staff costs, resources and venue costs for weekly sessions for young people in Bensham.
Northumbria Police and Crime Commissioner	Funds for weekly sessions for young people in Bensham.
The 1989 William Charitable Trust	Funds for weekly sessions for young people in Bensham.
Ballinger Charitable Trust (2021)	Grant distribution.
Ballinger Charitable Trust (2020)	BS Alive serves as a 'broker' for the funds granted to other smaller groups for their projects and holds the funds on their behalf. Acting as the accountable body for the funds given to the Bensham community.
Gateshead Council	Best of Bensham partnership project.
The National Lottery Community Fund	Woodworking group - Staff costs for tutor/trainer, venue hire, materials and equipment related to the project.
Gateshead Council - Local Community Fund	Best of Bensham partnership project.
Gateshead Council - Business Grant	Business rate rebate from Gateshead Council for supporting charities during COVID 19.
National Lottery Community Fund A4A	Food distribution and other COVID 19 projects.
Your Voice Counts	Food distribution and other COVID 19 projects.
Greggs	Food distribution.
Gateshead Council - Housing Association	Food distribution.
Gateshead Council - Holiday Hunger	Community projects.
HM Government - COVID 19	Run youth work projects.
Groundworks UK	Run youth work projects.
Sir James Knott Trust	Core costs.
Food - Co-Op	Funding to purchase household items and small equipment for refugees and asylum seekers who move out of home office properties to set up their own homes.
Lobley Hill Food Bank	Funds to cover the purchase of equipment and Fairshare Licences, plus some running costs.
Thrive Fund	Salary for part time development worker in Bensham, payments for freelance staff/artists etc and resources directly related to the delivery of this community development project.
Rothley Trust	Purchase of 3 lap top computers and contribution to Wi-Fi installation in community building - to give access to those who have no personal IT (to claim online benefits, job searches etc)
CBF Art Project	Staff costs for 2 artists plus materials and resources related to the project delivery. Project catered stories form long term residents and newly arrived residents to support community cohesion.

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11 Analysis of charitable funds *(continued)*

Transfers between funds

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<u>Funds</u>	<u>Reason for transfer</u>	<u>Amount £</u>
Between restricted funds	Cover deficit on project	90
Between restricted funds and designated	Redundancy provision	10,000

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<u>Funds</u>	<u>Reason for transfer</u>	<u>Amount £</u>
Between restricted funds and unrestricted	Core cost contribution	61

12 Guarantee

There have been no guarantees given by the charity at 31 March 2021.

13 Debt

There is no debt outstanding which is owed by the charity and which is secured by an excess charge on any of the assets of the charity at 31 March 2021.

14 Governing document

The organisation is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation - Foundation registered on 30 May 2014 as a body corporate under part 11 of the Charities Act 2011.