

Community Unity (Leeds) CIO

Charity number 1157737

Annual Report and Financial Statements for the year ended 31 July 2023



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Community Unity (Leeds) CIO

Trustees' report for the year ended 31 July 2023

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

The trustees during the financial year and up to and including the date the report was approved were:

Name	Position	Dates
Karl Footitt	Chair/Treasurer	
Mary Brennan		
Rev. Darren Percival		

Charity number 1157737 Registered in England and Wales

Registered and principal address	Bankers
36 Westway	Co-op Bank
Garforth	PO Box 250 Delf House
Leeds	Southway
LS25 1DB	Skelmersdale
	WN8 6WT

Accountants

West Yorkshire Community Accountancy Service CIO

Stringer House
34 Lupton Street
Leeds
LS10 2QW

Structure, governance and management

The charity is a CIO governed by an Association constitution adopted on 7 July 2014 and as amended 5 January 2019 and 16 October 2019.

Method of recruitment and appointment of trustees

The trustees of the charity are appointed by the members at the AGM.

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Trustees' report (continued) for the year ended 31 July 2023

Objectives and activities

The charity's objects

1. To develop the capacity and skills of the members of the community of Richmond Hill, Cross Green and East End Park in the ward of Burmantofts and Richmond Hill in the Metropolitan District of Leeds in such a way that they are better able to identify, and help meet their needs and to participate more fully in society.
2. To promote social inclusion for the public benefit by preventing people from becoming socially excluded, relieving the needs of those people who are socially excluded and assisting them to integrate into society.
3. The prevention or relief of poverty by providing items and services to individuals in need through:
 - a) The provision of recreational and leisure time activities provided in the interest of social welfare, designed to improve their conditions of life;
 - b) Providing support and activities which develop their skills, capacities and capabilities to enable them to participate in society as mature and responsible individuals.

The charity's main activities

Community Unity (Leeds) CIO's main activities are community family parties, support for local people, weekly meals and Christmas hampers and toy deliveries.

Public benefit statement

In setting our objectives and planning our activities our Trustees have given serious consideration to the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit and in particular the prevention or relief of poverty.

Achievements and performance

This year Community Unity trustees and volunteers continued running our weekly Wednesday Meals and community outreach, providing practical help and support to local people, this included Christmas food and toy hampers to local individuals and families as well as a Christmas day meal. Wednesday meals continues to be well attended. With financial support from the Household Support fund via the Burmantofts & Richmond Hill Community Anchor Network (BRH CAN) we also have continued our practical support for local individuals and families including food parcels and energy financial support.

In partnership with St Hilda's Church and Project Hope Leeds, and with support from the BRH CAN, we held a very well attended family community event for Halloween and supported a similar one at Christmas.

Financial review

The net receipts for the year were £670, including net payments of £926 on unrestricted funds and net receipts of £1,596 on restricted funds.

Reserves policy

The charity's free reserves, at the year end were £6,387.

The trustees have not adopted a formal reserves policy. The Trustees recognise the need to regularly review the finances, budgets and spend against budget together as part of the effective stewardship of the CIO. The charity has not or will not in the near future employ any persons or lease or rent property therefore the Trustees recognise that future reserves need only be kept to a minimum amount to cover its activities for the public benefit and fluctuations in cash flow.

Approved by the board of trustees on 18/10/2023

Karl Footitt (Trustee)

Community Unity (Leeds) CIO
Receipts and payments account
for the year ended 31 July 2023

	Notes	2023 Unrestricted funds £	2023 Restricted funds £	2023 Total funds £	2022 Total funds £
Receipts					
Grants and donations	(2)	1,122	5,238	6,360	2,515
Sales and fees		2,096	-	2,096	482
Total receipts		3,218	5,238	8,456	2,997
Payments					
Christmas hampers		239	1,050	1,289	2,056
Family parties		267	-	267	749
Insurance		238	24	262	131
Wednesday meals		1,440	2,328	3,768	2,149
Accounts preparation		140	100	240	240
Community Support		1,774	140	1,914	-
Lark in the Park Event		29	-	29	-
AGM and meeting costs		17	-	17	-
Total payments		4,144	3,642	7,786	5,325
Net receipts / (payments)		(926)	1,596	670	(2,328)
Fund balances brought forward		7,313	-	7,313	9,641
Fund balances carried forward	(3)	6,387	1,596	7,983	7,313

Community Unity (Leeds) CIO
Statement of assets and liabilities
as at 31 July 2023

	2023	2023	2023	2022
	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Total
	£	£	£	£
Cash funds				
Cash at bank	6,387	1,596	7,983	7,313
Cash in hand	-	-	-	-
Total cash funds	<u>6,387</u>	<u>1,596</u>	<u>7,983</u>	<u>7,313</u>

Debtors and prepayments

	2023
	£
Accrued income	<u>1,963</u>
	<u>1,963</u>

Liabilities

	2023
	£
Accruals	<u>252</u>
	<u>252</u>

The financial statements were approved by the board of trustees on 18/10/2023

Karl Footitt (Trustee)

Community Unity (Leeds) CIO

Notes to the accounts

for the year ended 31 July 2023

1 Accounting policies

Basis of accounting

The trustees have taken advantage of section 133 of the Charities Act 2011 and have prepared the accounts on a receipts and payments basis.

There has been no change to the accounting policies since last year.

No changes have been made to the accounts for previous years.

Taxation

As a charity the organisation benefits from rates relief and is generally exempt from income tax and capital gains tax but not from VAT. Irrecoverable VAT is included in the cost of those items to which it relates.

Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the charity.

Restricted funds are subjected to restrictions on their expenditure imposed by the donor or through the terms of an appeal.

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the accounts.

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Notes to the accounts continued
for the year ended 31 July 2023

2 Grants and donations

	2023 Unrestricted funds £	2023 Restricted funds £	2023 Total funds £	2022 Total funds £
Leeds Community Foundation (Jimbo's)	-	3,888	3,888	-
LEDA Ltd	480	-	480	480
Richard Willis	-	800	800	700
Rosie Cook	-	250	250	-
Wades Charity	-	300	300	-
Asda Foundation	-	-	-	905
Leeds City Council (MICE)	-	-	-	300
Other donations	642	-	642	130
	<u>1,122</u>	<u>5,238</u>	<u>6,360</u>	<u>2,515</u>

3 Restricted funds

	Balance b/f £	Incoming £	Outgoing £	Transfers £	Balance c/f £
Veolia RERF	-	-	1,500	-	(1,500)
Wades Charity	-	300	68	-	232
Jimbo's Fund	-	3,888	1,024	-	2,864
Richard Willis	-	800	800	-	-
Rosie Cook	-	250	250	-	-
	<u>-</u>	<u>5,238</u>	<u>3,642</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,596</u>

Fund name

Veolia RERF

Purpose of restriction

To support the running of Wednesday Meals and community outreach.
Funding is received in arrears.

Wades Charity

To support the running of Wednesday Meals and community outreach.

Jimbo's Fund

To support the running of Wednesday Meals and community outreach.

Richard Willis

Donations for Christmas hampers and food for local people.

Rosie Cook

Donations for Christmas hampers and food for local people.

4 Related party transactions

Trustee expenses

No trustee received any expenses during this year or the previous year.

Trustee remuneration and benefits

No trustee received any remuneration or benefit during this or the previous year.