

REGISTERED COMPANY NUMBER: 09196281 (England and Wales)
REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER: 1159355

Report of the Trustees and
Unaudited Financial Statements
for the Year Ended 31 December 2020
for
TOGETHER MIDDLESBROUGH AND CLEVELAND

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for the Year Ended 31 December 2020**

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Report of the Trustees **for the Year Ended 31 December 2020**

The trustees who are also directors of the charity for the purposes of the Companies Act 2006, present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 December 2020. The trustees have adopted the provisions of 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).

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Objectives and aims

Together Middlesbrough and Cleveland exists to promote the efficiency and effectiveness of Christian-based charities in the furtherance of their objects, and the relief of hardship, through the provision of information, advice and support. Its geographical area of operation consists of the two unitary authorities of Middlesbrough and Redcar & Cleveland. Most of the practical work of Together Middlesbrough and Cleveland is achieved through the activity of its officers, continuing in general the pattern of the previous years, collaborating with civic and statutory authorities, other charities and the voluntary sector. The website <https://togetharmac.org.uk> includes further information and regularly updated newsletters.

STRATEGIC REPORT

Achievement and performance

Charitable activities

The restrictions on public activity aimed at reducing the spread of coronavirus had a significant effect on the charity's operation in 2020.

Face-to-face Feast of Fun activity was replaced by a large increase in the provision of holiday hunger support, with more than six times the 2019 number of items delivered. They comprised some 87,000 meals delivered to 8,600 children and 2,809 adults in vulnerable families, as well as thousands of activity packs and craft online.

Similarly, Food and Friendship, as well as Warm Welcome, were modified and replaced by a telephone befriending service, supporting hundreds of lonely and isolated people in the 50+ age range.

Positive Pathways homelessness support was also replaced by a telephone service.

There was a delivery of 'training the trainers' on Cash COVID Recovery to support organisations in signposting people struggling with their finances during and as a result of the pandemic.

Financial review

Financial position

The new Chief Officer was appointed early in 2020.

Changes in the funding structure of the Church Urban Fund meant that the payment of core support to its Joint Ventures including this charity was discontinued in the first quarter of 2020. Since some of the bodies funding activities undertaken by the charity will only pay for direct costs and will not include a management element, meeting the charity's core expenses remain a priority for the board.

Investment powers and policy

The Trustees continue to hold the financial assets of the charity as readily available cash.

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STRATEGIC REPORT

Financial review

Reserves policy

The Trustees have reviewed the charity's needs for reserves in line with the guidance issued by the Charity Commission and have agreed that financial reserves (the 'Emergency Operating Reserve') should be held.

It has no endowment funding and is entirely dependent on income from year to year, including a significant element of voluntary donations, which is inevitably subject to fluctuation. Much of the charity's work is project-funded through Restricted income, and wherever possible a proportion is agreed to support the central management function.

Together Middlesbrough and Cleveland requires protection against, and ability to continue operating in case of, damaging events or unforeseen circumstances which are outside the normal budgeting process. The core funding from the Church Urban Fund has continued, albeit the money available from that source has been held at a lower level than when the charity was incorporated. That is taken into account in monitoring and managing the long-term pattern of the charity's reserves.

Part of the charity's ongoing financial strategy is to grow a group of Champions in the wider area, who undertake to be committed to encouraging donations. Significant donations by individuals and church groups in particular have resulted.

The target level for EOR has been set at three months' operating costs, a sum of approximately £25,000.

Future plans

Work was undertaken through 2020 in conjunction with the Church Urban Fund (CUF) looking to a modification of the charity's governance structure by which a majority (five) of the trustees were appointed by CUF, and four by York Diocesan Board of Finance. This was in line with a policy decision by CUF applying to all its Joint Ventures. New Articles, by which there continue to be up to nine trustees, with CUF and the Diocesan Board of Finance appointing one each, were adopted on 27 January 2021.

The first half of 2021 continues to see a coronavirus-restricted pattern of activity, with hopes of a return to a more normal range of activities as the year progresses.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

The charity is controlled by its governing document, a deed of trust, and constitutes a company limited by guarantee as defined by the Companies Act 2006. It was formed on 30 August 2014 to continue activities of a similar nature previously managed by the Church Urban Fund in conjunction with a local committee, and commenced operations on 8 May 2015.

Recruitment and appointment of new trustees

Appointment to the Board of Trustees is by appointment of the Members, the Trustees taking up their places on dates specified in each case. The Board of Trustees consists of a full complement of nine persons, of whom five are appointed by the Church Urban Fund and four by York Diocesan Board of Finance Ltd. The policy of the Members is to ensure firstly that the Trustees collectively possess appropriate skills and experience for the efficient operation of the charity, with an aspiration that ecumenical collaboration and diversity can also be a distinctive feature of its governance.

Organisational structure

The chair is the Right Reverend Paul Ferguson. For the period of this report, each officer was line managed by a Trustee or by another officer who in turn reported to a Trustee.

During this period the Treasurer function was carried out by Mrs Catherine Evens (non-Trustee) from the period 1st January 2020 to 30th June 2020 and Mr John Hinman (Trustee) thereafter.

Induction and training of new trustees

Induction of new trustees is provided through discussion with the chair, existing Trustees and officers of the charity, and through contact with the national structures of CUF.

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STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Risk management and financial regulations

The Trustees have a duty to identify and review the risks to which the charity is exposed and to ensure appropriate controls are in place to provide reasonable assurance against fraud and error. There is a finance sub-group of the board and external financial services are obtained. Disbursements are made by electronic transfer only, and require double authorization. Officers' expenses are scrutinised monthly by a person other than the first signatory. One officer was a person connected with a Trustee, who withdrew from any discussion directly or indirectly pertaining to the employment terms, conditions, remuneration or benefit of that officer.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Registered Company number

09196281 (England and Wales)

Registered Charity number

1159355

Registered office

21 Thornton Road
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Trustees

Rt. Rev. P J Ferguson
Mr J N Hinman
Mr J R Miles (resigned 14/4/20)
Ms K J Morris (resigned 13/4/21)
Rev A Gaunt Priest
Rev S R Sutton Minister of Religion
Rev L J E Goodhew (appointed 30/3/20)
Mr P Watson

Independent Examiner

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Report of the trustees, incorporating a strategic report, approved by order of the board of trustees, as the company directors, on 13 May 2021 and signed on the board's behalf by:

Rt. Rev. P J Ferguson - Trustee

**Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of
Together Middlesbrough And Cleveland**

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Together Middlesbrough And Cleveland ('the Company')

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Company for the year ended 31 December 2020.

Responsibilities and basis of report

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

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

Independent examiner's statement

Since your charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 your examiner must be a member of a listed body. I can confirm that I am qualified to undertake the examination because I am a registered member of FCCA which is one of the listed bodies.

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Company as required by section 386 of the 2006 Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the 2006 Act other than any requirement that the accounts give a true and fair view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination; or
4. the accounts have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities (applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102)).

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

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13 May 2021

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Statement of Financial Activities
for the Year Ended 31 December 2020

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted fund £	31/12/20 Total funds £	31/12/19 Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM					
Donations and legacies	2	29,904	312,459	342,363	213,854
Other income		501	-	501	280
Total		30,405	312,459	342,864	214,134
 EXPENDITURE ON					
Charitable activities	3				
Other charitable activity costs		30,931	233,757	264,688	96,538
Programme costs		-	17,011	17,011	102,827
Total		30,931	250,768	281,699	199,365
 NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)		(526)	61,691	61,165	14,769
 RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Total funds brought forward		54,662	68,937	123,599	108,830
 TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		54,136	130,628	184,764	123,599

The notes form part of these financial statements

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Balance Sheet
31 December 2020

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted fund £	31/12/20 Total funds £	31/12/19 Total funds £
CURRENT ASSETS					
Debtors	8	98	-	98	98
Cash at bank		54,038	130,628	184,666	125,428
		<u>54,136</u>	<u>130,628</u>	<u>184,764</u>	<u>125,526</u>
CREDITORS					
Amounts falling due within one year	9	-	-	-	(1,927)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		<u>54,136</u>	<u>130,628</u>	<u>184,764</u>	<u>123,599</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		<u>54,136</u>	<u>130,628</u>	<u>184,764</u>	<u>123,599</u>
NET ASSETS		<u><u>54,136</u></u>	<u><u>130,628</u></u>	<u><u>184,764</u></u>	<u><u>123,599</u></u>
FUNDS	10				
Unrestricted funds				54,136	54,662
Restricted funds				130,628	68,937
TOTAL FUNDS				<u><u>184,764</u></u>	<u><u>123,599</u></u>

The charitable company is entitled to exemption from audit under Section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 for the year ended 31 December 2020.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2020 in accordance with Section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

The trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for

- (a) ensuring that the charitable company keeps accounting records that comply with Sections 386 and 387 of the Companies Act 2006 and
- (b) preparing financial statements which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company as at the end of each financial year and of its surplus or deficit for each financial year in accordance with the requirements of Sections 394 and 395 and which otherwise comply with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 relating to financial statements, so far as applicable to the charitable company.

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to charitable companies subject to the small companies regime.

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 13 May 2021 and were signed on its behalf by:

Rt. Rev. P J Ferguson - Trustee

The notes form part of these financial statements

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Notes to the Financial Statements **for the Year Ended 31 December 2020**

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparing the financial statements

The financial statements of the charitable company, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) '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)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Companies Act 2006. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

Income

All income is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities once the charity has entitlement to the funds, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably.

Expenditure

Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

Taxation

The charity is exempt from corporation tax on its charitable activities.

Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

Restricted funds can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.

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

Pension costs and other post-retirement benefits

The charitable company operates a defined contribution pension scheme. Contributions payable to the charitable company's pension scheme are charged to the Statement of Financial Activities in the period to which they relate.

2. DONATIONS AND LEGACIES

	31/12/20	31/12/19
	£	£
Donations	16,517	20,939
Grants	312,886	183,533
Project management fees	12,960	9,382
	<u>342,363</u>	<u>213,854</u>

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Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
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2. DONATIONS AND LEGACIES - continued

Grants received, included in the above, are as follows:

	31/12/20	31/12/19
	£	£
Church urban fund	30,734	109,485
Middlesbrough and Stockton Mind	95,294	60,258
Middlesbrough Council	56,383	13,790
Lottery	44,320	-
Redcar Council	39,030	-
Power to Change	47,125	-
	<u>312,886</u>	<u>183,533</u>

3. CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES COSTS

	Direct Costs £	Support costs (see note 4) £	Totals £
Other charitable activity costs	263,542	1,146	264,688
Programme costs	17,011	-	17,011
	<u>280,553</u>	<u>1,146</u>	<u>281,699</u>

4. SUPPORT COSTS

	Governance costs £
Other charitable activity costs	<u>1,146</u>

5. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 31 December 2020 nor for the year ended 31 December 2019.

Trustees' expenses

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 31 December 2020 nor for the year ended 31 December 2019.

6. STAFF COSTS

	31/12/20	31/12/19
	£	£
Wages and salaries	65,634	68,235
Other pension costs	5,480	7,724
	<u>71,114</u>	<u>75,959</u>

The average monthly number of employees during the year was as follows:

	31/12/20	31/12/19
Development worker	<u>4</u>	<u>3</u>

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7. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted fund £	Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM			
Donations and legacies	44,101	169,753	213,854
Other income	280	-	280
Total	44,381	169,753	214,134
 EXPENDITURE ON			
Charitable activities			
Other charitable activity costs	48,943	47,595	96,538
Programme costs	62	102,765	102,827
Total	49,005	150,360	199,365
 NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)	(4,624)	19,393	14,769
 RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS			
Total funds brought forward	59,286	49,544	108,830
 TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	54,662	68,937	123,599

8. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	31/12/20 £	31/12/19 £
Trade debtors	98	98

9. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	31/12/20 £	31/12/19 £
Trade creditors	-	385
Other creditors	-	782
Accrued expenses	-	760
	-	1,927

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10. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 1/1/20 £	Net Movement in funds £	At 31/12/20 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	54,662	(527)	54,135
Restricted funds			
Feast of Fun Middlesbrough	6,821	(4,213)	2,608
Feast of Fun Redcar and Cleveland	1,146	13,209	14,355
Positive Pathways	19,348	(18,836)	512
Warm Welcome	13,157	8,670	21,827
Food and Friendship	28,465	(9,261)	19,204
JFF CCC	-	1,479	1,479
Lottery DCMS		32,805	32,805
Power to Change	-	37,838	37,838
TOTAL FUND	123,599	61,164	184,763

Net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incomin resource £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	30,403	30,930	(527)
Restricted funds			
Feast of Fun Middlesbrough	55,957	60,167	(4,210)
Feast of Fun Redcar and Cleveland	39,031	25,823	13,207
Positive Pathways	23,942	42,778	(18,836)
Warm Welcome	28,996	20,326	8,670
Food and Friendship	66,298	75,560	(9,262)
JFF CCC	6,792	5,313	1,479
Lottery DCMS	44,320	11,515	32,805
Power to Change	47,125	9,287	37,838
TOTAL FUNDS	342,864	281,699	61,164

Comparatives for movement in funds

	At 1/1/1 £	Net movement in funds £	t 31/12/19 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	59,286	(4,624)	54,662
Restricted funds			
Restricted	49,544	19,393	68,937
TOTAL FUNDS	108,830	14,769	123,599

Net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incomin resource £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	44,381	49005	(4,624)
Restricted funds			
Restricted	169,753	150,360	19,393

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TOTAL FUNDS	<u>214,134</u>	<u>199,365</u>	<u>14,769</u>
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11. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

There were no related party transactions for the year ended 31 December 2020.

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Detailed Statement of Financial Activities
for the Year Ended 31 December 2020

	31/12/20 £	31/12/19 £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS		
Donations and legacies		
Donations	16,517	20,939
Grants	312,886	183,533
Project management fees	12,960	9,382
	<hr/> 342,363	<hr/> 213,854
Other income		
Other income	501	280
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Total incoming resources	342,864	214,134
EXPENDITURE		
Charitable activities		
Wages	65,634	68,235
Pensions	5,480	7,724
Administrative support	798	200
Insurance	990	990
Travelling	237	1,448
Telephone	297	396
Postage, stationery, design and artwork	318	677
Room hire and associated costs	2,692	3,788
Sundries	1,538	1,864
Programme costs	185,558	102,827
Project management costs	17,011	9,382
	<hr/> 280,553	<hr/> 197,531
Support costs		
Governance costs		
Accountancy and legal fees	1,146	1,404
Other governance costs	-	430
	<hr/> 1,146	<hr/> 1,834
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Total resources expended	281,699	199,365
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Net income	<u>61,165</u>	<u>14,769</u>