

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 2021
for
TOGETHER MIDDLESBROUGH AND CLEVELAND

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for the Year Ended 31 December 2021

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Report of the Trustees **for the Year Ended 31 December 2021**

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 2021. 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://togethermc.org.uk> includes further information and regularly updated newsletters.

STRATEGIC REPORT

Achievement and performance

Charitable activities

Restrictions on public activity aimed at reducing the spread of coronavirus had a residual effect on the charity's operation in 2021.

Face-to-face Feast of Fun activity began to return but the start of the cost of living crisis resulted in a continued increase in the demand for and provision of holiday hunger support, with over 100,000 meals delivered to over 11,500 children, and adults in vulnerable families, as well as thousands of activities.

Similarly, Food and Friendship, as well as Warm Welcome, began to return to face to face delivery, supporting hundreds of lonely and isolated people in the 50+ age range. Positive Pathways homelessness support also returned to face to face.

Financial review

Financial position

Core funding of £75k for 3 years to 2024 from the National Lottery Community Fund was secured at the end of 2021, as well as an annual £10k core commitment from Ballinger Charitable Trust. Notwithstanding this, the grant funding environment remains challenging as we move from the pandemic to the cost of living crisis meeting the charity's core expenses on an ongoing basis remains a priority for the board.

Investment powers and policy

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

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', EOR) 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 (TMC) takes care to be able to continue operating in case of damaging events or unforeseen circumstances which are outside the normal budgeting process. The previous core funding from the Church Urban Fund (CUF) was discontinued and TMC formally disaggregated from CUF in January 2021. A new, annual core funding grant of £10,000 has been awarded by Ballinger Charitable Trust. However, this is subject to yearly review. Part of the charity's ongoing financial strategy is to maintain a group of Champions in the wider area, who undertake to be committed to encouraging donations. Significant donations by individuals and particularly church groups have resulted. The target level for EOR has been set at three months' operating costs, a sum of approximately £30,000.

Future plans

The greater part of 2021 continued a coronavirus-restricted pattern of activity on the part of the charity, with a slow return to a more normal range of activities as the year progressed. Immediate plans include roll-out of mental health awareness training to local clergy and their communities. The longer-term strategy focuses on social housing/housing support, and wider local partnership working, to reduce reliance on ad hoc donations and increase sustainability.

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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. Following the disaggregation from CUF on 27 January 2021, the Memorandum & Articles governing document was amended to reflect this and to change the makeup of the Board of Trustees. The Board of Trustees continues to consist of a full complement of nine persons. Following the disaggregation, only one Trustee is now appointed by CUF (previously five); a further one by the York Diocesan Board of Finance Ltd (previously four); and the remaining seven Trustees are appointed from the local area by the Board. The policy of the Members and Trustees 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 the Chief Officer who in turn reported to the Chair. During this period the Treasurer function was carried out Mr John Hinman (Trustee and Vice Chair).

Induction and training of new trustees

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

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. Trustees receive no remuneration. Officers' expenses are scrutinised monthly by a person other than the first signatory.

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
Ms K J Morris (resigned 13/4/21)
Rev A Gaunt Priest
Rev S R Sutton Minister of Religion (resigned 24/1/22)
Rev L J E Goodhew
Mr P Watson (resigned 16/5/22)
Mr G Sharma (appointed 1/5/22)
Mr P H Catterall (appointed 24/1/22)
Mr C A Cooke Trustee (appointed 12/10/21)
Mr G Banwell Trustee (appointed 20/5/21)

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REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Independent Examiner

Mr Lee Harris
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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 September 2022 and signed on the board's behalf by:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Paul J. Ferguson', written in a cursive style.

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 2021.

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 September 2022

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Statement of Financial Activities
for the Year Ended 31 December 2021

		Unrestricted fund £	Restricted fund £	31/12/21 Total funds £	31/12/20 Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM	Notes				
Donations and legacies	2	17,903	232,121	250,024	342,363
Other income		10,137	2,000	12,137	501
Total		28,040	234,121	262,161	342,864
 EXPENDITURE ON					
Charitable activities	3				
Other charitable activity costs		31,590	326,034	357,624	264,688
Programme costs		-	14,374	14,374	17,011
Total		31,590	340,408	371,998	281,699
 NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)		(3,550)	(106,287)	(109,837)	61,165
 RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Total funds brought forward		54,136	130,628	184,764	123,599
 TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		50,586	24,341	74,927	184,764

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Balance Sheet
31 December 2021

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted fund £	31/12/21 Total funds £	31/12/20 Total funds £
CURRENT ASSETS					
Debtors	8	98	-	98	98
Cash at bank		50,488	24,341	74,829	184,666
		50,586	24,341	74,927	184,764
NET CURRENT ASSETS		50,586	24,341	74,927	184,764
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		50,586	24,341	74,927	184,764
NET ASSETS		50,586	24,341	74,927	184,764
FUNDS	9				
Unrestricted funds				50,586	54,136
Restricted funds				24,341	130,628
TOTAL FUNDS				74,927	184,764

The charitable company is entitled to exemption from audit under Section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 for the year ended 31 December 2021.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2021 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 September 2022 and were signed on its behalf by:



Rt. Rev. P J Ferguson - Trustee

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Notes to the Financial Statements **for the Year Ended 31 December 2021**

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

	31/12/21	31/12/20
	£	£
Donations	13,348	16,517
Grants	225,538	312,886
Project management fees	11,138	12,960
	<u>250,024</u>	<u>342,363</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:

	31/12/21	31/12/20
	£	£
Positive Pathways (Church Urban Fund)	37,168	30,734
Middlesbrough and Stockton Mind	4,000	95,294
Middlesbrough Council	-	56,383
Lottery	-	44,320
Redcar Council	-	39,030
Power to Change	-	47,125
Feast of Fun Middlesbrough	85,470	-
Feast of Fun Redcar and Cleveland	20,000	-
Albert Gubay Foundation	31,500	-
Ballinger Charitable Trust	10,000	-
Allchurches Trust	22,400	-
RCVDA TEWV RF	10,000	-
MVDA TEWV RF	5,000	-
	<u>225,538</u>	<u>312,886</u>

3. CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES COSTS

	Direct Costs £	Support costs (see note 4) £	Totals £
Other charitable activity costs	356,375	1,249	357,624
Programme costs	14,374	-	14,374
	<u>370,749</u>	<u>1,249</u>	<u>371,998</u>

4. SUPPORT COSTS

	Governance costs £
Other charitable activity costs	<u>1,249</u>

5. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 31 December 2021 nor for the year ended 31 December 2020.

Trustees' expenses

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 31 December 2021 nor for the year ended 31 December 2020.

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6. STAFF COSTS

	31/12/21	31/12/20
	£	£
Wages and salaries	127,373	65,634
Other pension costs	11,518	5,480
	<u>138,891</u>	<u>71,114</u>

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

	31/12/21	31/12/20
Development worker	<u>5</u>	<u>4</u>

7. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted fund £	Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM			
Donations and legacies	29,904	312,459	342,363
Other income	<u>501</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>501</u>
Total	<u>30,405</u>	<u>312,459</u>	<u>342,864</u>
EXPENDITURE ON			
Charitable activities			
Other charitable activity costs	30,931	233,757	264,688
Programme costs	<u>-</u>	<u>17,011</u>	<u>17,011</u>
Total	<u>30,931</u>	<u>250,768</u>	<u>281,699</u>
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)	<u>(526)</u>	<u>61,691</u>	<u>61,165</u>
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS			
Total funds brought forward	54,662	68,937	123,599
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	<u>54,136</u>	<u>130,628</u>	<u>184,764</u>

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8. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	31/12/21	31/12/20
	£	£
Trade debtors	98	98
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9. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 1/1/21 £	Net Movement in funds £	At 31/12/21 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	54,136	(3,551)	50,585
Restricted funds			
Feast of Fun Middlesbrough	2,608	(969)	1,639
Feast of Fun Redcar and Cleveland	14,355	(11,783)	2,572
Albert Gubay Foundation	-	9,186	9,186
Positive Pathways	512	(2)	510
Warm Welcome	21,827	(21,251)	576
Food and Friendship	19,204	(14,220)	4,984
JFF CCC	1,479	(1,479)	-
Lottery DCMS	32,805	(32,805)	-
Power to Change	37,838	(37,838)	-
RCVDA TEWV RF	-	4,246	4,246
MVDA TEWV RF	-	627	627
TOTAL FUND	184,764	(109,839)	74,925

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

	Income in resource £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	28,040	31,591	(3,551)
Restricted funds			
Feast of Fun Middlesbrough	92,052	93,021	(969)
Feast of Fun Redcar and Cleveland	20,000	31,782	(11,782)
Albert Gubay Foundation	31,500	22,314	9,186
Ballinger Charitable Trust	10,000	10,000	-
Positive Pathways	37,169	37,170	(1)
Warm Welcome	-	21,251	(21,251)
Food and Friendship	6,000	20,220	(14,220)
JFF CCC	-	1,479	(1,479)
Lottery DCMS	-	32,805	(32,805)
Power to Change	-	37,838	(37,838)
Allchurches Trust	22,400	22,400	-
RCVDA TEWV RF	10,000	5,754	4,246
MVDA TEWV RF	5,000	4,373	627
TOTAL FUNDS	262,161	371,998	(109,837)

Comparatives for movement in funds

	At 1/1/2 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31/12/20 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	54,663	(527)	54,136
Restricted funds			
Restricted	68,936	61,691	130,627

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Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
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9. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

TOTAL FUNDS	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			
Restricted	312,460	250,769	61,691
TOTAL FUNDS	342,863	281,699	61,164

10. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

There were no related party transactions for the year ended 31 December 2021.

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Detailed Statement of Financial Activities
for the Year Ended 31 December 2021

	31/12/21 £	31/12/20 £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS		
Donations and legacies		
Donations	13,348	16,517
Grants	225,538	312,886
Project management fees	11,138	12,960
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	250,024	342,363
Other income		
Other income	12,137	501
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Total incoming resources	262,161	342,864
 EXPENDITURE		
Charitable activities		
Wages	127,373	65,634
Pensions	11,518	5,480
Administrative support	2,250	798
Insurance	990	990
Travelling	610	237
Telephone	297	297
Postage, stationery, design and artwork	115	318
Room hire and associated costs	235	2,692
Sundries	10,642	1,538
Programme costs	202,345	185,558
Project management costs	14,374	17,011
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	370,749	280,553
 Support costs		
Governance costs		
Accountancy and legal fees	1,249	1,146
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Total resources expended	371,998	281,699
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Net (expenditure)/income	(109,837)	61,165
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