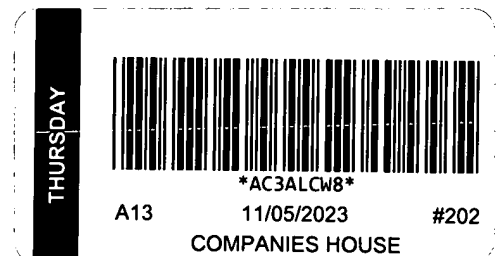


**REGISTERED COMPANY NUMBER: 09196281 (England and Wales)**  
**REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER: 1159355**

**Report of the Trustees and**  
**Unaudited Financial Statements**  
**for the Year Ended 31 December 2022**  
**for**  
**TOGETHER MIDDLESBROUGH AND CLEVELAND**

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**Report of the Trustees**  
**for the Year Ended 31 December 2022**

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 2022. 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://togethertmc.org.uk> includes further information and regularly updated newsletters.

**STRATEGIC REPORT**

**Achievement and performance**

**Charitable activities**

In 2022 activity moved away from pandemic crisis support and remote work to return to face -to-face delivery. However, with the country and community plunged immediately into the ongoing cost-of-living crisis, local need remained high. The development and roll-out of mental health awareness training, to local clergy and their communities, contributed to addressing the mental health needs identified by Together Middlesbrough and Cleveland's (TMC's) pandemic impact work.

**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. 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 remains 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. In 2022, the level of donations was starting to recover at around half pre-pandemic levels. The target level for EOR has been set at six months' operating costs, a sum of approximately £63,000. At the end of 2022 this sits at £63,700, or around six months.

**Future plans**

The longer-term strategy focuses on optimising training services, nurturing key partnerships, and continuing exploration of social housing/housing support, to reduce reliance on grants and ad hoc donations and increase sustainability.

**Report of the Trustees**  
**for the Year Ended 31 December 2022**

**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 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. The period covering the year 2022 extending into early 2023 has seen a number of anticipated retirements from the Board and new appointments in line with that policy.

**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 authorisation. 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  
Stainton  
Middlesbrough  
Cleveland  
TS8 9DS

**Report of the Trustees**  
**for the Year Ended 31 December 2022**

**Trustees**

Rt. Rev. P J Ferguson  
Mr J N Hinman (resigned 23/1/23)  
Rev A Gaunt Priest  
Rev S R Sutton Minister of Religion (resigned 24/1/22)  
Rev L J E Goodhew (resigned 21/11/22)  
Mr P Watson (resigned 16/5/22)  
Ms G Sharma Trustee (appointed 1/5/22)  
Mr P H Catterall Trustee (appointed 24/1/22)  
Mr C A Cooke Trustee  
Mr G Banwell Trustee  
Mrs S Pemberton (appointed 23/1/23)  
Dr M D C Sutcliffe Trustee (appointed 21/11/22)

After the year end Mrs S Pemberton resigned as at 28th March 2023.

**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 24 April 2023 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 2022.

**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**

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.



Mr Lee Harris

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Date: 24/24/23

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**Statement of Financial Activities**  
**for the Year Ended 31 December 2022**

		Unrestricted fund	Restricted fund	31/12/22 Total funds	31/12/21 Total funds
	Notes	£	£	£	£
<b>INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM</b>					
Donations and legacies	2	15,976	211,113	227,089	250,024
Other income		7,113	235	7,348	12,137
<b>Total</b>		<u>23,089</u>	<u>211,348</u>	<u>234,437</u>	<u>262,161</u>
<b>EXPENDITURE ON</b>					
Raising funds	3	98	-	98	-
<b>Charitable activities</b>	4				
Other charitable activity costs		-	-	-	357,624
Programme costs		9,962	188,590	198,552	14,374
<b>Total</b>		<u>10,060</u>	<u>188,590</u>	<u>198,650</u>	<u>371,998</u>
<b>NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)</b>		13,029	22,758	35,787	(109,837)
<b>RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS</b>					
Total funds brought forward		50,586	24,341	74,927	184,764
<b>TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD</b>		<u><u>63,615</u></u>	<u><u>47,099</u></u>	<u><u>110,714</u></u>	<u><u>74,927</u></u>

The notes form part of these financial statements

**Balance Sheet**  
**31 December 2022**

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted fund £	31/12/22 Total funds £	31/12/21 Total funds £
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>					
Debtors	9	-	-	-	98
Cash at bank		63,615	47,099	110,714	74,829
		<u>63,615</u>	<u>47,099</u>	<u>110,714</u>	<u>74,927</u>
<b>NET CURRENT ASSETS</b>		<u>63,615</u>	<u>47,099</u>	<u>110,714</u>	<u>74,927</u>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>		<u>63,615</u>	<u>47,099</u>	<u>110,714</u>	<u>74,927</u>
<b>NET ASSETS</b>		<u><u>63,615</u></u>	<u><u>47,099</u></u>	<u><u>110,714</u></u>	<u><u>74,927</u></u>
<b>FUNDS</b>	10				
Unrestricted funds				63,615	50,586
Restricted funds				<u>47,099</u>	<u>24,341</u>
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>				<u><u>110,714</u></u>	<u><u>74,927</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 2022.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2022 in accordance with Section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

The trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for

- ensuring that the charitable company keeps accounting records that comply with Sections 386 and 387 of the Companies Act 2006 and
- 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 24 April 2023 and were signed on its behalf by:



Rt. Rev. P J Ferguson - Trustee



## **TOGETHER MIDDLESBROUGH AND CLEVELAND**

### **Notes to the Financial Statements** **for the Year Ended 31 December 2022**

#### **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**

	31/12/22	31/12/21
	£	£
Donations	15,335	13,348
Grants	202,288	225,538
Project management fees	9,466	11,138
	<u>227,089</u>	<u>250,024</u>

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### Notes to the Financial Statements - continued for the Year Ended 31 December 2022

#### 2. DONATIONS AND LEGACIES - continued

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

	31/12/22	31/12/21
	£	£
Positive Pathways (Church Urban Fund)	4,946	37,168
Middlesbrough and Stockton Mind	5,250	4,000
Feast of Fun Middlesbrough	38,349	85,470
Feast of Fun Redcar and Cleveland	14,793	20,000
Albert Gubay Foundation	-	31,500
Ballinger Charitable Trust	10,000	10,000
Allchurches Trust	-	22,400
Redcar and Cleveland Voluntary Development Agency	-	10,000
Middlesbrough Voluntary Development Agency	5,000	5,000
Quorn	450	-
The National Lottery Community Fund	73,500	-
Benefact Trust	50,000	-
	<u>202,288</u>	<u>225,538</u>

#### 3. RAISING FUNDS

Other trading activities

	31/12/22	31/12/21
	£	£
Bad debts	<u>98</u>	<u>-</u>

#### 4. CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES COSTS

	Direct Costs £	Support costs (see note 5) £	Totals £
Programme costs	<u>198,182</u>	<u>370</u>	<u>198,552</u>

#### 5. SUPPORT COSTS

	Governance costs £
Programme costs	<u>370</u>

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**Notes to the Financial Statements - continued**  
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**6. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS**

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 31 December 2022 nor for the year ended 31 December 2021.

**Trustees' expenses**

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 31 December 2022 nor for the year ended 31 December 2021.

**7. STAFF COSTS**

	31/12/22	31/12/21
	£	£
Wages and salaries	103,687	127,373
Other pension costs	10,454	11,518
	<u>114,141</u>	<u>138,891</u>

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

	31/12/22	31/12/21
	4	5
Development worker	<u>4</u>	<u>5</u>

**8. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES**

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

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**9. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR**

	31/12/22	31/12/21
	£	£
Trade debtors	-	98
	<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>

**TOGETHER MIDDLESBROUGH AND CLEVELAND**

**Notes to the Financial Statements - continued**  
**for the Year Ended 31 December 2022**

**10. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS**

	At 1/1/22 £	Net Movement in funds £	At 31/12/22 £
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>			
General fund	50,585	13,224	63,809
<b>Restricted funds</b>			
Feast of Fun Middlesbrough	1,639	6,334	7,973
Feast of Fun Redcar and Cleveland	2,572	(407)	2,165
Albert Gubay Foundation	9,186	(9,186)	-
BCT	-	5,463	5,463
Positive Pathways	510	(510)	-
Warm Welcome	576	(576)	-
Food and Friendship	4,984	(4,984)	-
Redcar and Cleveland Voluntary Development Agency	4,246	(4,246)	-
The National Lottery Community Fund	-	3,588	3,588
Middlesbrough Voluntary Development Agency	627	(627)	-
M&S Mind AFT	-	399	399
Benefact Trust Brighter Lives	-	27,510	27,510
<b>TOTAL FUND</b>	<b>74,925</b>	<b>35,982</b>	<b>110,907</b>

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

	Incomin resource £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>			
General fund	23,187	9,963	13,224
<b>Restricted funds</b>			
Feast of Fun Middlesbrough	42,352	36,018	6,334
Feast of Fun Redcar and Cleveland	20,064	20,471	(407)
Albert Gubay Foundation	-	9,186	(9,186)
Ballinger Charitable Trust	10,000	4,537	5,463
Positive Pathways	4,946	5,456	(510)
Warm Welcome	-	576	(576)
Food and Friendship	235	5,219	(4,984)
Redcar and Cleveland Voluntary Development Agency	-	4,246	(4,246)
The National Lottery Community Fund	73,500	69,912	3,588
Middlesbrough Voluntary Development Agency	5,000	5,627	(627)
M&S Mind AFT	5,250	4,851	399
Benefact Trust Brighter Lives	50,000	22,490	27,510
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<b>234,534</b>	<b>198,552</b>	<b>35,982</b>

**Comparatives for movement in funds**

	At 1/1/2 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31/12/21 £
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>			
General fund	54,136	(3,551)	50,585
<b>Restricted funds</b>			
Restricted	130,628	(106,288)	24,340
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<b>184,764</b>	<b>(109,839)</b>	<b>74,925</b>

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**Notes to the Financial Statements - continued**  
**for the Year Ended 31 December 2022**

**10. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued**

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

	Incomin- resource £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>			
General fund	28,040	31,591	(3,551)
<b>Restricted funds</b>			
Restricted	234,121	340,409	(106,288)
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<u>262,161</u>	<u>372,000</u>	<u>(109,839)</u>

**11. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES**

There were no related party transactions for the year ended 31 December 2022.