

**Woolton Community Life**

**Financial Statements for the year ended 31st December 2020**

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## Woolton Community Life Volunteer Befriending Service

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### **Report of the Trustees for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> December 2020**

The Trustees submit their annual report and financial statements for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> December 2020

**Registered Charity Number 1159642**

**Address:** St Mary's Presbytery,  
Church Road,  
Woolton,  
Liverpool,  
L25 5JF

**Trustees:** Anita Lloyd  
Dr George Kuruvilla  
Pam Cottrell  
Sally Loveridge  
Mohan Samant  
Frank Shotter  
Derek Harold  
Katrina Walker  
William Bethell  
Ashton Tansey

**Treasurer:** Pam Cottrell

### **Structure, governance and management**

Woolton Community Life is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO) and is governed by its constitution adopted on 1.5.14 and is a registered charity number 1159642

## **Report of the Trustees for the year ended 31 December 2020**

### **Objects**

The objects of Woolton Community Life are:

- 1 The relief of persons in need in the Woolton area of Liverpool and its surrounding vicinity who may be socially isolated or lonely. In particular, but not exclusively by the provision of support, advice and other services to assist them in their independent living, relieve their social isolation, promote their good health and improve their quality of life.
- 2 The promotion of equality and diversity for the public benefit by promoting activities to foster understanding between people from diverse backgrounds.

### **Main activities and achievements**

#### **1. Trustees:**

Dr George Kuruvilla was unanimously elected as the Chair of the Trustees after Mrs.Catherine Higgins resigned as the Chair and Trustee on 7<sup>th</sup> October 2020  
Mr William Bethell and Miss Ashton Tansey joined our Board of Trustees during the last year

#### **2. Volunteers**

Currently there are befrienders visiting beneficiaries on a weekly basis. In addition, there are 7 waiting to be paired. There are also a number of befrienders at different stages of the recruitment process.

All befrienders have been through an interview process with references being taken up, and a Disclosure and Barring Service check. There is an induction procedure which includes safeguarding training, with the opportunity for first aid and moving and handling training.

In addition to the befrienders, there are a number of volunteer roles within the charity such as admin support, interviewing potential befrienders and beneficiaries, matching befrienders to beneficiaries, driving, fundraising, manning the phones, working on the website, promotion and events, project work and trustees.

#### **3. Beneficiaries**

There are 42 beneficiaries being visited on a weekly basis. They enjoy a variety of activities such as home visits, church visits, dancing, shopping and trips out.

**4. Social activities**

Due to the current Pandemic and the 3 Lockdowns over the last year, the Charity has not been able to undertake any of the social activities. The Befrienders have been given regular guidelines in line with the Government's. This meant restricted contact of the Befrienders to only telephone, mostly. Although in between the Lockdowns, there were periods, when the Befrienders were allowed to meet with their Beneficiaries, in the Garden and or in public spaces. This has been extremely difficult for them.

**5 Networking**

The Trustees continue networking with four local Doctor Practices, three Churches in Woolton, Liverpool, Life Rooms, (MOU) Citizens Advice Liverpool (MOU), Hope University, the Society of St Vincent de Paul, the Salvation Army at Strawberry Fields. They are working on new links with the Salvation Army. They have met with representatives from Merseycare, and Emma Lord from Capacity in relation to an increased interest in social prescribing, Primary care Network Leaders, Citizens Advice Liverpool with whom we have a 'fast track' process of facilitating Attendance Allowance for our Beneficiaries, using the Social Prescribing route. This has already helped few of our Beneficiaries.

All befrienders undergo Safeguarding Training before they can be matched with a beneficiary. Befrienders are also offered Basic First Aid Awareness and moving and handling training. One volunteer has completed minibus training. Trustees and beneficiaries have had the opportunity to attend a Dementia Awareness evening.

**5. Activities and projects leading into 2021**

We have embarked on an ambitious programme of equipping and training a cohort of beneficiaries to connect with their Befrienders using I-pad built-sim card. After the trial period, this will gradually be extended to other Beneficiaries. It is hoped that this will provide a way of alleviating the loneliness which sadly, became worse, for our Beneficiaries. The Charity works collaboratively with Life Rooms, Strawberry fields (Salvation Army), Citizens Advice, Liverpool.



## Report of the Trustees for the year ended 31 December 2020

### **7 Policies and Procedures**

During the last 12 months, the Charity, following lengthy consultation amongst the Trustees, been able to adopt following;

1. Conflict of interest policy
2. New Trustees Recruitment policy
3. Complaints Procedure
4. Bereavement support

**All policies and procedures are in place, documented and in some cases amended.**

### **8. Funding**

There have been generous donations during the year, the details of which are in the financial report.

### **9. Finance**

WCL has healthy reserves as at 31 December 2020 which are sufficient to meet the charity's objectives. We are confident therefore that we will continue to operate for the foreseeable future.

The Trustees declare that they have approved the Trustees Report and Finances

Signed on behalf of the Trustees of Woolton Community Life

**George Kuruvilla**



Chairperson

**Pam Cottrell**



Treasurer

# Woolton Community Life

## Receipts and Payment Account for the year ended 31st December 2020

	Unrestricted Year ended 31 December 2020		Unrestricted Year ended 31 December 2019	
	£	£	£	£
<b>Income</b>				
<b>Sundry Donations</b>				
CAF Donations plus gift aid	330.14		167.40	
Woolton Village Residents Association	151.57			
LCC Neighbourhood Award			2,000.00	
LCC Neighbourhood Award Special projects			1,900.00	
St Peter's Woolton			500.00	
Sundry < £100		481.71	143.53	4,710.93
<b>Expenses</b>				
Website hosting	192.00		186.00	
Domain renewal	-		23.98	
Insurance	423.28		417.68	
DBS	30.00		94.00	
Sundry office expenses	14.99		-	
Refreshments			9.65	
Postage & Stationery	3.90		114.79	
Office phone	-		146.90	
Saturn Security annual maintenance	168.00		168.00	
Lapel pins	-		192.60	
Gifts	214.99		149.34	
Beneficiaries entertaining	462.18	1,509.34	1,333.69	2,836.63
Net Income(Expenditure) for year		(1,027.63)		1,874.30

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## Balance sheet as at 31 December 2020

	Unrestricted Year ended <u>31 December 2020</u>	Unrestricted Year ended <u>31 December 2019</u>
	£	£
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>		
Bank current account	18,577.30	19,558.77
Petty cash	79.40	125.56
	<u>18,656.70</u>	<u>19,684.33</u>
<b>FINANCED BY:</b>		
Accumulated Fund		
Brought forward	19,684.33	17,810.03
Surplus (Deficit) for the year	<u>(1,027.63)</u>	<u>1,874.30</u>
	<u>18,656.70</u>	<u>19,684.33</u>